

COURSE OUTLINE - JAY BERMAN

REPORTING FOR THE MASS MEDIA

AUGUST 31 - DECEMBER 9, 1987

ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING POLICY:

There will be at least one writing assignment every week, usually based on notes I will distribute in class. There also will be a few in-class assignments which will not be announced in advance and cannot be made up at a later date. Students also are encouraged to write for the Daily Titan, for which they will receive extra class credit. Students interested in writing for the Titan should contact Deborah Blankenberg, editor, or Shauna Snow, city editor. Other data:

1. Spelling, punctuation and grammar are very important to me. They should be of equal importance to anyone who hopes to do well in this class. Any paper which has a misspelled name or other proper noun can receive no grade better than a "C."
2. No late papers are accepted. If you can't be in class the day an assignment is due, you must have it on my desk in H-213 or turn it in at the Comm Department in H-230 before the close of the day.
3. The Associated Press Stylebook is our only required text, so it would be to your advantage to know it well. I will give style quizzes from time to time. 1987
4. All assignments count the same -- long and short, in-class and take-home. The final exam is roughly the equivalent of three assignments. There is no midterm. The final exam will be given (during the week of December 14-18.)
5. If you have any questions about any assignment, call me at Ext. 2052. My home number is (213) 374-5186. Call if you can't find the answer to your question anywhere else.

1-6 TUES/FRI
8-630 wtf

CLASS CONTENT:

FIRST WEEK -- Introduction. News copy preparation. Importance of proper punctuation, grammar. How to write a good summary lead for news copy. How and when to work in background information.

SECOND WEEK -- Writing the basic news story. What happened? When? Where? Taking the facts and turning them into a good news account, rather than just a list of unrelated facts. General assignment reporting. Covering fires, police beat, other breaking news stories.

THIRD WEEK -- Possible in-class assignment on turning material

into leads on deadline. Interviewing. Taking good quotes, and quoting accurately. Asking the proper questions, designed to get the needed information from the interviewee.

FOURTH WEEK -- Review. Questions on what has been covered to date. Possible in-class speaker from a newspaper.

FIFTH WEEK -- More on interviews, along with speech coverage, two fundamentals of a reporter's education. How do you turn a boring 20-minute speech into a readable story?

SIXTH WEEK -- Feature writing. You'll write something, which we will discuss at the time, with the goal of having it run in a newspaper. It might be used in the Daily Titan, or maybe you can get it into a community paper. Stories must deal with some aspect of campus life or involve an in-depth interview with a faculty or staff member or student with something newsworthy to say.

SEVENTH WEEK -- Probable in-class assignment, based on writing on deadline. It's easy to write a story when you have two hours. What if you only have 45 minutes?

EIGHTH WEEK -- Covering government. Good likelihood of in-class speaker. Procedures to follow in coverage of municipal, state and county government. Simplifying complex issues and digging through bureaucracy.

NINTH WEEK -- Political writing. Covering a campaign. How to avoid being manipulated by the candidates and their staffs. What's really happening, not just what the handouts say is happening.

TENTH WEEK -- Covering the courts. The judicial system from arrest through conviction. How not to libel the defendant, even if he did it; he knows he did it, and he knows you know he did it.

ELEVENTH WEEK -- Investigative reporting. Another good likelihood for an in-class speaker. What does "investigative" mean? Why it isn't the glamour area people seem to think it is.

TWELFTH WEEK -- Entertainment. Motion picture and music reviews. How not to sound like a public relations handout. How they differ from conventional news stories.

THIRTEENTH WEEK -- Schools and school districts. How they work and how to cover them.

FOURTEENETH WEEK -- Sports writing. One of the most popular sections of a newspaper. Why? How the area is changing.

FIFTEENTH WEEK -- Wide open. Writing for broadcast? Review? Some flexibility here. Whatever looks right at the time.

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School Board for Luch.

5-10" - eye blue size 9 - 178 lb
Griffith 178 cotton blue pants/blue
High School
June '79
short sleeve
nice tennis
2 soft shoes

61 LUDONIA, MI - outside Detroit
3:02 Jan 29 '61

youngster - sis - bro

82
Dec

high school

people & drama } noble
piano choir

2nd grade CEO

different - individual:
contrastive of structure
"don't want to be told"
protestant son phase

April '75 age 14
protestant steps...

EC personal savior... church hopping... Sat was

Sunday church hopping... religious need on

never really left Cath Church, until more -
critical of EC, but never converted

→ Fundamental biblically / Fundamental Cath
strong undercurrent - Prot congreg

search - to bond
connected to some
group -
why

① art going expressive -
mediums

② more recognition
(vs. sports - 1st grade
backstage position)

③ sense of accomplishment

- 2 -

conflict w/ Tom & Congreg.

Continued Visitor -

Senior St. Edmund's Divine Point /

Maryhood Catechetical Institution -

Chuck Smith Theology - growth of kn. of
Mass - solidified Cath ... why celebrate

Mass - we become part of the sacrifice.

(854) - liturgy phase -

college hurt Rick Salgado } young people
- km } Fellowship - St. Edmund's
Tom } to far

critical tent → becoming Patrick's example
Attack the back ... since w/ Catholic
Arch.

til Seminar experience
surpass rebel power in summary - found
some flexibility in Christian Catholic experience
some to allow it imperfectly, in the
whole it is good.

Polish have to change -

Bible
bullet

Act 2:45 - lived in common
Kings/Isa - called to be prophet / "to be voice"
2 Kings → Genealogies of David - stay w/
Catholic church & w/ Franciscan

high sch/college uni - resented "see, you'd make
a good priest..." all the power in the priesthood
over reactive, frustrated, felt pigeon holed.
allowed this type of

power
the unity
↓
became
priest

finished college - started work
corp → Peace Corp w/ states ...

in the bank → losing thirst for power
high ambitions... moral dilemma bank message -
that program → training then leave.

Mar 83 - auto accident - driving in the rain - hydroplanic
bargaining near hit lamp post
"Pauline experience" photo, exorcism

(reflect on mortality, purpose)
- off work for a month ...

separated upon return → didn't like banking
station → ... unhappy

← Feeling regret - San Louis Rey - From Fran
the order about ~~the~~ community.

← This is early morning

April '83 right before Easter - community

quit job.

< Jesuit 4C >
'81

religious life - formation training -
Franciscan Friars of the ^{Ateneo}

June '83 - not scholastic training
go right into religious life

why go with
New York 2 year
candidacy pattern

they wanted to deal
w/ issues - write
better transition to
religious life

June '85 - go in ...

took job as Print shop

August '83 - Pecos,
New Mexico -

Benedictine monastery
charismatic activities
focus on laity -
"work & pray..."

mentor → less ministry work
reflection - should it think
of self as religious life -

celebracy (Nov 84 -
romance) June '87 - 84
ministry → romance

Abbot - join the community:

helping helper & not the real needy
very idealizing

cutting down ministry -

didn't want to go in once in a while

① started process toward religious life

② would it work if didn't go in

→ did give R.L. full opportunity & ~~oppressed~~ w/
woman → unfulfilled w/ community
didn't replace romance - "frustrating
life - disclosure ... " ideal eg. roommate
2 yrs / 1 yr → life?

secured for Thomas - "safety net concept"
"there for you & but otherwise solo ..."

critical { influenced by the roommate & the personality
of the community -

June - 6 months - Postponement - to be
young to be part of the community.

sacrifice & ministry → finding fulfillment
where it (analogy to banking satisfaction)

role & romance to vent frustration

June '85 - goes home - ^{girl} shocked that he wasn't
struggling - she got very romantic -
different light → work Richard Bach
Illusion

"Story of the Priest + Messiah" - ~~many people~~

"do what gives you joy ---"

(being priest ~~of~~ love) ^{out of} celibacy

↓ discovered what works is ^{old monastery} _{ideals}

- service =

installed as novice → 21 days w/ woman

↓ decided to god & chance.

she sends flower - he calls ...

novice director → ⁱⁿ leaving } our month
trail

best month

more prayer ...
great time

end of the month - Franciscan Retreat -

talked w/ F. Spaloner re: struggle - article

on Fris & the Party - Party movement.

→ out the door w/ the week ←

March '86 → return to California.

Rel. Dir. & NY - don't marry for a year ...

great → full time w/ her - burden her
7 weeks → too close

fighting the celibate battles ... very intimate

→ conflict w/ romantic ideal..

↓ 3 yr. commitment to a discover
Thomas - R.L. & girlfriend way
to find fulfillment instead w/ self
→ Therapist period.

ministry/secularized

← just now getting involved w/ organized
ministry
better balance - fill the well before
you are empty
Praying

← hardest clergy questions -
Bitterness toward Church - "if your woman
is a whore, you still love her." Always
a Catholic - commitment ...
expression of faith ... between Presby/Bp
greater diversity more freely find faith

Catholic doctrine ultimate discernment
& sin is self-conscious

English law - common law - determined
re: past

vs - Roman law - law of gods - high level
idealism - this is what you must to be
a good citizen e.g. "don't sin."
choice of "absolutes of pope"

Catholicism not an issue

→ Papal pronouncements → ideal

~~for~~ clergy/women → papal stubbornness
return
eastern European manifest

more

large group of non-theor - subordinated
to future

Sept 15

Columbus - Eucharistic guide -
73 year old priest - to him / people - where
700 E.G selected with of congratulation.

symbolized → thought of protest -
but when asked - shocked - impact of
the day - great love & respect for the
man - more convicted of faith of
Catholic → more & struggle

big picture - problem's not issue/don't
matter → want change of power
→ settled in idea of reliving R.L -
celebration still issue - work through other
things.

affected via - presence - people's reaction
103,000 - running - definitely
high - impact on disposition

allow to look at things diff -
→ more accepting ...
doubts re: RL

Real note →

1 1/2 years left to discover ~~from~~.

(ORANGE)

DADE

GATB #1

UNIT E

RAPAL

SAFF PARTICIPANT

[800 AM]

850 PM

900 PM →

2 hour security

FEATURE ARTICLE
INTERVIEW OF
Thomas Griffin

9/23

CSUF grad - econ maj.

pastorhood

beliefs + cultural
atmosphere

pope's mass
catholic / community
celibacy

word to the pope
" " catholic

Church top down

word to non-Catholics

He is a monk
objective of monastic life Ltr 903

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interview notes: Thomas Griffith

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also

Marywood Catechetical Institute - six month course - teach teacher's who are going to teach children, very "Chuck Smith" in his theology in the beginning ---> growth in knowledge of the Mass - solidified his understanding of Catholicism. Old nagging question - the sacrifice of the Mass "Why crucify Christ a new?" "I came to recognize that the reason we do this in memory of him and why we celebrate the Mass . . . we become part of the sacrifice. We ourselves become the gift, we ourselves give ourselves up to God, we ourselves say, if this cup pass us by, but I will be obedient to you, Oh Lord." Became more involved with the Liturgy
" . . . "

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Critical 'til Seminary Experience - sour puss, rabal-rouser in seminary - found some flexibility in his Christian-Catholic experience, to allow for it's imperfections, in the whole it is good ---> It doesn't have to change.

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April '83 - Healing Retreat - San Louis Rey - Friar from the Order shared what community was about ----> quit job at the bank.

Jesuit Youth Corp til June '83 - why go half way ---> go right into religious life! Began religious life - formation training - Franciscan Friars of the Atonement (not scholastic training) - two year candidacy --- took a job at the Print shop. Mentor wanted less ministry and more self reflection --- shouldn't think of self as relgious life . eg.,

celibacy. concentrated on ministry(ies) June '83 thru Nov '84 --- got involved in a romance Nov '84 . . . (obsession)

August '83 - Pecos, New Mexico - Benedictan Monastery - Charismatic activities with focus on laity - "Work & pray" Abbot wanted him to join the community. ---- helping helper and not the real needy - very idealizing

Nov '84 cutting down ministry - didn't want to go in - once in romance: but:

1. started process toward religious life . . . question of if I had . . .
2. wouldn't work if didn't go in

"Didn't give religious life a full opportunity." Obsessed with woman ---> unfulfilled with community, didn't replace romance - "Friars sharing life - disclosure . . . " ideal., eg., roommate 2 yrs/1 year ---> life? conflict with roommate's idea of community, screwed for Thomas - "safety net concept" - "there for you but otherwise, solo . . . "

critical ---> influenced by the roommate and personality of the community.

June '85 - six months postulancy - "to beg" - beg to be a part of the community. sacrifice and ministry ---> finding fulfillment where at (analogy to banking satisfaction) role with "woman" from romance to one to vent his frustration. Writing letters to her 3 times a week.

Xmas '85 - goes home - girl shocked that he wasn't staying - she got very romantic - different light ---> book: Richard Bach Illusion: Story of the Reluctant Messiah. "do what gives you joy . . ." being a priest out of love, eg., celibacy ---> discovered what works vs., old ministry ideals.

Returning to community in NY - service - installed as novice - 21 days without communicating with "woman" - decided to give God a chance - she sends flower - he calls . . .

to novice director - "I'm leaving", one month trial ----ended up being his "best" month there, more time of prayer, great time, end of the month - Franciscan Retreat - talked with Franciscan speaker re: struggle ---> article on Franciscanism and the Laity --- it's a lay movement. out the door within the week. (Friary)

March '86 ---> returned to California

Religious Director @ NY - don't marry for a year. Full time with her (no job/school/etc.), became a burden her, great for seven weeks. Then became "too close" ---very intimate, fighting the celibacy battles (only a matter of time, conflict with romantic ideal.

3 year commitment to rediscover Thomas, Religious Life & girlfriend way to find fulfillment instead with self --- Therapist period. Ministry-secularized.

Just now getting involved with organized ministry - better balance - "I have to fill the well before I can empty it"

Married clergy - bitterness toward Church - "if your mother's a whore, you still love her." Always a Catholic, commitment expression of faith. Between Presbyterian/Baptist. Greater diversity more freely find faith.

Catholic doctrine = ultimate discernment of sin is self-conscious -

English law - common law - determined by the past

- vs -

Roman law - laws of the gods (only the gods can keep them) - high level of idealism - this is what you must do to be a good citizen, eg., "don't sin!" choice of the "absolutes of the pope." Catholicism wasn't the issue. Papal pronouncements not the issue ---> ideals.

issue of the clergy and women --> "papal stubbornness" need reform, eastern european thought. Large group of non-thinkers subservient to "the father."

Sept 15th - Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, Eucharistic Guide - 78 year old priest to/him/people - usher (700 EG's) - selected out of congregation - symbolized ---> thought of protesting - but when asked - shocked - impact of the day - great love and respect for the man - more convicted of self being Catholic - in view of the struggle - problems not issue/doesn't matter - won't change opinion -- settled in idea of not reliving religious life, celibacy still an issue - work through the other things.

Affected via - presence - people's reaction . . . 103,000 - rewarding, definitely a high - impact on disposition - allow to look at things differently - more accepting - doubts re: religious life ---SOULMATE.

1 1/2 years left to discover Tom.

more info - MVHS '79, CSUF Dec '82 -

Coliseum mass - arrival 8:40 am, 2 security search after lunch, 6:30 am service begins, 9:10 service ends. Orange badge, gate one, unit 6, Papal service, staff participant. section 12, area (level) C, wore sports clothes, pastel colors, light blue (cotton pants, short sleeve shirt),

interview notes: Thomas Griffith

blue eyes.

Rachis Stragg

o ideas

Thomas Griffith, 26 year old, ex-seminarian, section 12, top third of the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, '78 year old priest in tow, he's a Eucharistic guide, assist the priest, get the people in his section to the priest so that they might receive communion. Papal Mass, the sacrifice of living with an antiquated tradition and the living hope of a living faith.

papal mass - antiquated tradition & living faith

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A teenage → worked in the
~~3~~ youth groups in 3 parishes in
the area — involved in the
relationship of those that were like-minded
in their faith.

Been around (P. Sa) knew well
liked it better here

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monday night —

The Board of Education of Morrisville ~~met~~ at Morrisville Elementary School.

1. Meeting began at 8 p.m. and ended at 11:30.
2. Board votes 9-0 to accept minutes of last meeting.
3. Communications: Dennis Allen's 6th-grade class raised \$227 for the Muscular Dystrophy Foundation by organizing a car wash last week. Two students at Morrisville High School, Franca Stover and Gerald Loughlin, were Merit Scholarship semifinalists.
4. Report on Standard Reading Test scores by Board President Charles Brown.
Brown: "As you can well see this test is not good news. For the third straight year, the reading scores of 6th graders in our system have declined. Three years ago the average reading score for sixth graders was 79, which means that by the end of sixth grade they were right on track, reading at a late sixth grade-beginning seventh-grade level. Two years ago the drop was to just 78 and last year 76, but this year our sixth graders got an average score of 73 at the end of the year. That means, ladies and gentlemen, that the average sixth grader completing elementary school in this system has the reading skills equivalent on a national basis to a sixth grader finishing his or her first semester. I find that appalling and think we've got to find a way to stop the slide. I've asked John Klein, who, as you know, is assistant superintendent for instruction to come here tonight and give us his views on these test scores."
- Klein:* "No doubt this is discouraging, but I think the scores have to be seen in perspective. For one thing, these scores represent an average for all sixth graders in this district. You may not know that we only had 57 this year. A few, frankly, are very slow learners and five have been retained. Some of these are reading at a second and third grade level and these bring the average down. Still, this raises some grave questions about an educational experiment we tried last year. We decided to go to an open classroom approach — all 57 students were taught in one large open area by two teachers and a teacher's aid. The idea was for teachers to have more flexibility in their planning and teaching approach, but one, Ethel Rosegrant, missed a good part of the year . . . I think seven weeks this spring . . . with pneumonia and we never did find a single substitute who could fit into that situation. One teacher can't keep track of what 57 students are doing and instead of individualized instruction I'm afraid there may have been too much wasted time. Personally, though, I would give the open classroom one more year to take hold. It hasn't really had a fair trial yet."
- Trustee (board member) Jack Gantz:* "I never liked all this experimental stuff anyway. Look, it is time we got back to basics — reading, writing and arithmetic. That's what I learned at school and the kids just aren't getting it. I move that we eliminate the open classroom at the elementary school next year so that this fiasco doesn't continue."
- Trustee Alice Richardson:* "I second."
- Trustee Joan Dershowitz:* "Isn't it a little extreme to be changing educational policy on the basis of a five-minute presentation? Mr. Gantz, I have friends with children in that open classroom. Those kids came home with beautiful work in arts and crafts. The brightest ones were able to meet in small groups to work on a wonderful social studies project that, as we bragged last month, was exhibited at city hall. The slowest kids got individual attention that would have been impossible with just one teacher. Sure, all that went by the board when Ethel Rosegrant fell ill, but don't cure the patient by killing it. I propose that we ask Miss Rosegrant and the other teacher in the class, Paul Moore, to give us a report next meeting."
- Board votes. First vote, 6-3 against Gantz's motion to eliminate open classroom in sixth grade. Gantz, Richardson and Bob Shaeffer vote to end open classroom. Second vote, 9-0 to ask teachers in open classroom to present a report.
5. Board votes 9-0 to spend \$875 for a new tuba for the band.

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Wed. paper

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COMM 201--WRITING ON DEADLINE

Today is Sunday. You work for the Los Angeles Times. A police reporter calls in with the following data, which you will put together for a story for Monday's paper.

- Two small planes collided at 3:42 p.m. ... one was a Cessna 152...the other was a Cessna 120...they collided over the San Gabriel Valley...a small fire broke out where one of the planes crashed...the fire was extinguished by units from the Los Angeles County Fire Department...

The two people who had been in the Cessna 120 were killed...that plane crashed three miles from where the collision occurred...it crashed in the Santa Fe Dam Recreation Area in Irwindale...Police have not released their names, and said they will not do so until their families have been notified...

The two people who had been in the Cessna 152 walked away with no apparent injuries...that plane crashed in Azusa, about one mile north of the 210 Freeway...the area is called the Fish Canyon river bed...one is a flight instructor...his name is Stefano Sturlese...he is 21...lives in South Pasadena...the other was his student pilot...he is Randolph Barrows...he is 28 and lives in Los Angeles...

Sturlese said Barrows was practicing turns over the river bed when another plane hit them...Azusa Police Sgt. John Broderick said Sturlese told him the plane was hit from above by the other plane...he said the wheel struck his windshield...he started to lose altitude...Sturlese said he "took over" from the student pilot and tried to bring the plane down on a service road by the river bed...but the plane hit a chain link fence and landed nose down in a ravine...that's when the fire began...police said weather was good and skies clear when the crash occurred...Sturlese and Barrows were taken to Santa Teresita Hospital in Duarte for observation...they weren't kept there...the FAA has been asked to investigate the collision...

Operators of a shelter for homeless people on Skid Row in Los Angeles say they are out of money. They say they will have to close down if the city doesn't give them \$300,000 to bail them out. They went before the Community Redevelopment Agency commission and said they will close next week if they don't get the money. They are in trouble because they are receiving less in private contributions than they had needed, and because state aid has been eliminated. The shelter, called Transition House, is in downtown Los Angeles. It was developed by Mayor Tom Bradley's administration. CRA commissioners set a public hearing for next week to act on the request. The request was made on Wednesday.

A two-story apartment building in the Boyle Heights section of East Los Angeles was hit by a fire shortly before dawn on Wednesday. The fire caused an estimated \$225,000 damage, Los Angeles city fire officials said. Some of the people who lived there jumped from second-story windows to escape the fire. Firefighters from 15 engine companies put out the fire in about 35 minutes. About 80 people were left homeless by the fire. Fourteen people were injured, four of them seriously. The fire was reported at 5:44 a.m. The building was the Brooklyn Hotel, 2420 E. Brooklyn Ave. The fire broke out in a second-floor hallway. Six firefighters were among the injured. They received minor burns on their faces and arms when water and fire combined to produce steam which "bit them," according to fire Inspector Ed Reed.

Jildardo Plasencia was a 33-year-old furniture factory worker when, on New Year's Eve, 1980, he was shot to death by sheriff's deputies. He spoke only Spanish and was holding an unloaded gun. Because he knew no English, he didn't understand sheriff's deputies demands to drop the gun. As a result, they shot him. His family then brought a civil suit against the county. It's called a wrongful death suit. During the trial, the family's attorney, R. Samuel Paz, said that Plasencia was seated at the back of the garage and officers could not have seen inside the room when they fired, killing him and wounding his 3-year-old son and teen-age nephew. A civil trial ended on July 11 with a verdict in favor of Plasencia's family. On Wednesday, his family was awarded \$1.3 million by a Compton Superior Court jury. He and his family had been gathered in his home in Willowbrook for a New Year's Eve party.

Yorba Linda council votes down senior housing plan

The Register

A Newport Beach-based apartment builder's planned Orange County debut in senior citizen housing was halted in Yorba Linda Monday as council members unanimously vetoed a plan they likened to "prison cells for the elderly."

"My own mother would hate it," said Councilman Henry Wedaa.

Of primary concern to the council was the lack of elevators and recreational facilities in the 55-unit proposed project. They also considered the 440-square-foot apartments too small for comfortable living.

While the monthly rent structure of \$375 to \$425 was a plus, "This is not the type of lifestyle we want for our seniors," Wedaa said.

Developer Henry Durkee, however, said the project was dead be-

fore it began, despite city planning commission approval, because of the council's stance against high-density projects in semi-rural Yorba Linda.

He said similar-sized condominiums and apartments are a "huge success" elsewhere in the county.

Ten privately funded senior projects similar to the one presented in Yorba Linda are to be offered to Anaheim, Placentia and San Clemente city officials in the future, he said.

Freda Smith, president of a Yorba Linda senior group, said the city "sorely needs an affordable place for seniors to live."

Rents at the city's two senior-citizen projects already are out of reach at \$550 to \$650 per month, she said.

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OPINION WORD

Anaheim will permit sale of alcohol at gas stations

The Anaheim City Council decided Tuesday to continue to allow the sale of alcoholic beverages at gas stations but directed the city zoning-department staff to tighten up conditions under which such sales are allowed.

The council decided not to take action on a Planning Commission recommendation to prohibit liquor sales at service stations.

Ten of the 26 cities in Orange County have adopted or are in the process of adopting prohibitions against joint sales of liquor and fuel.

By a 4-1 vote, with Councilwoman Miriam Kaywood in opposition, the City Council on Tuesday directed the zoning staff to draw up more restrictive regulations for such sales.

Among the restrictions would be a prohibition on the sale of chilled beer and wine. Gas stations also would not be allowed to display advertising for alcoholic beverages on the outside of their buildings.

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Skid Row Shelter Seeks \$300,000 City Bail-Out, Warns It May Have to Close

By RICH CONNELL, *Times Staff Writer*

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Saying they are sinking in a sea of red ink, the operators of a model Skid Row shelter for the homeless developed by Mayor Tom Bradley's Administration warned Wednesday that they will have to shut the facility if the city does not provide a \$300,000 emergency bail-out.

Citing loss of state aid and less than they had hoped for in private contributions, officials who run Transition House, on the eastern edge of downtown Los Angeles, told the Community Redevelopment Agency commission that the 130-bed shelter will close Aug. 1 if assistance is not provided.

Shelter officials said they need \$600,000 over the next three years—the emergency bail-out this year and \$150,000 a year in 1987 and 1988 to cover projected deficits.

But CRA commissioners, surprised by the request and concerned about shouldering increasing costs for day-to-day operations of homeless services on Skid Row, postponed action. Instead, they set a public hearing for next week to review their Skid Row financing priorities.

The Bradley Administration, struggling to deal with the thou-

sands of homeless estimated to be roaming downtown streets, has developed Skid Row shelters but insisted that Los Angeles County is responsible for paying for their operation.

The county Board of Supervisors' conservative majority, however, has routinely declined requests to finance the shelters. The supervisors contend that such shelters attract more homeless and insist that the county's existing general relief program, which provides cheap hotel rooms to qualifying applicants, is adequate.

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14 Hurt, Others Left Homeless by Hotel Fire

By NIESON HIMMEL
and EDWARD J. BOYER,
Times Staff Writers

About 80 people were left homeless by an early morning fire that swept through a two-story apartment hotel in Boyle Heights in East Los Angeles on Wednesday, forcing some residents to jump from second-floor windows to escape the flames.

Fourteen people were injured—four of them seriously—when the 5:44 a.m. blaze gutted the red-brick Brooklyn Hotel at 2420 E. Brooklyn Ave., causing an estimated \$225,000 in damage, Los Angeles city fire officials said.

Six firefighters were among the injured, suffering minor burns to the face, ears and arms when the water they poured on the flames turned into steam and "bit them," fire Inspector Ed Reed said.

Took 35 Minutes

Firefighters from 15 engine companies extinguished the flames in about 35 minutes.

The blaze apparently broke out in the hallway of the second floor and quickly engulfed the building. Virtually everything in the building was declared a total loss. Some residents fled in their underwear "I look silly in my shorts, but I'm alive," one resident said in Spanish.

Family Gets \$1.3 Million in Wrongful Death Case

By TED ROHRLICH,
Times Staff Writer

The family of a man shot to death by sheriff's deputies on New Year's Eve, 1980, has been awarded \$1.3 million by a Compton Superior Court jury for his wrongful death and the wounding of his 3-year-old son and teen-age nephew.

Jildardo Plasencia, a 33-year-old furniture factory worker, died of a single gunshot in the converted garage of his rented Willowbrook home, where his extended family had gathered to welcome in the new year.

The circumstances of his death remain in dispute.

Spoke Only Spanish

The district attorney's office, in an investigation, found that Plasencia, who spoke only Spanish, was tragically shot to death by deputies because he apparently did not understand their demands, made in English, that he drop his unloaded gun.

However, an attorney for Plasencia's family, R. Samuel Paz, said that testimony at the civil trial, which concluded July 11 with the verdict against Los Angeles County, showed that Plasencia was "seated in the back of the [garage] and the [garage] door was closed sufficiently so that officers could not see inside the room when they fired."

SPEECH STORY

You have been assigned to cover the opening session of a two-day conference on the status of women which is being held in the University Center.

Keynote speaker was Carmen R. Maymi, director of the Women's Bureau of the U.S. Department of Labor.

She had a handout of her speech which you followed as she spoke. There were no significant deviations from the text, and you didn't need to make any additional notes.

From the text of her talk, which follows, write a story. For our purposes, you are covering the event on Wednesday for Thursday's paper. Here's the speech:

WE FIND THAT PROTECTIVE LEGISLATION APPLYING TO LABOR STANDARDS FOR WOMEN ONLY IS NO LONGER NEEDED--THAT GOOD LABOR STANDARDS MUST BENEFIT MEN AND WOMEN ALIKE. ON THE OTHER HAND, THERE IS A GOOD DEAL OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN THAT LIMITS THEIR OPPORTUNITIES AND IMPEDES THEIR PROGRESS.

AS A RESULT, THE WOMEN'S BUREAU HAS SET AS ITS CURRENT GOALS IMPROVING THE EMPLOYABILITY OF WOMEN, INCREASING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND REDUCING, SUBSTANTIALLY, DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN IN EMPLOYMENT. WITHIN THESE GOALS WE ARE GIVING SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THOSE WOMEN WHO SUFFER DOUBLE DISCRIMINATION, BECAUSE THEY ARE WOMEN AND BECAUSE THEY ARE MEMBERS OF MINORITY GROUPS--BLACKS, INDIANS, HISPANICS OR ASIANS.

A TOP PRIORITY IS TO ENCOURAGE THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN WORKERS TO MORE SKILLED AND RESPONSIBLE JOBS. AS YOU PROBABLY KNOW FROM LOOKING AT THE WOMEN WHO WORK IN YOUR OWN COMMUNITY, FEW HAVE TOP JOBS IN MANAGEMENT, AND THE PROFESSIONAL WOMEN ARE MOSTLY NURSES AND ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS, THE LOWEST PAID OF THE PROFESSIONS. THE GREAT MAJORITY OF WOMEN ARE IN CLERICAL JOBS, OR CLERKING IN STORES, OR PERFORMING SERVICE JOBS WHICH PAY VERY LITTLE.

THIS CONCENTRATION OF WOMEN IN JOBS THAT REQUIRE FEW SKILLS RESULTS IN A SERIOUS DISCREPANCY BETWEEN WHAT WOMEN AND MEN EARN. ON THE AVERAGE TODAY, WOMEN EARN ONLY \$3 FOR EVERY \$5 EARNED BY MEN.

WHAT ABOUT EQUAL PAY LAWS, YOU MAY ASK. WELL, IT'S TRUE THAT THE LAW REQUIRES EQUAL PAY FOR MEN AND WOMEN DOING SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME WORK. THE TROUBLE IS, MEN AND WOMEN FREQUENTLY DO NOT HOLD THE SAME OR SIMILAR JOBS. MEN ARE DOCTORS AND WOMEN ARE NURSES; MEN ARE ENGINEERS AND WOMEN ARE TECHNICAL ASSISTANTS; WOMEN ARE COOKS AND MEN ARE CHEFS; WOMEN ARE RETAIL CLERKS, BUT MEN SELL THE BIG ITEMS AT A COMMISSION.

ONE FIELD IN WHICH THERE ARE ALMOST NO WOMEN IS THAT OF THE CRAFTS--PLUMBERS, ELECTRICIANS, PAINTERS AND THE LIKE. WOMEN MAKE UP ONLY SLIGHTLY MORE THAN 4 PER CENT OF THOSE WORKERS. YET THE VERY FACT THAT A FEW WOMEN DO WORK AT THESE JOBS INDICATES THAT THEY CONSTITUTE OPPORTUNITIES THAT SHOULD BE OPEN TO WOMEN. THE

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CHIEF DIFFICULTY IS OUR STEREOTYPED THINKING ABOUT SOME JOBS AS SUITABLE ONLY FOR MEN AND OTHERS SUITABLE ONLY FOR WOMEN.

THIS BRINGS US TO THE OTHER HALF OF THE PROBLEM OF OPENING MORE JOB OPPORTUNITIES TO WOMEN. MANY TIMES EMPLOYERS COMPLAIN THAT THEY CAN'T FIND WOMEN WITH THE TRAINING AND SKILLS NEEDED IN THE NONTRADITIONAL JOBS. AND, OF COURSE, THEY ARE RIGHT; BECAUSE WE HAVE NOT, AS A SOCIETY, HAD IN THE PAST FORESIGHT TO PREPARE GIRLS AND YOUNG WOMEN FOR JOBS OTHER THAN THOSE WOMEN HAVE ALWAYS HELD--CLERICAL WORK, TEACHING NURSING, AND SUCH SERVICE OCCUPATIONS AS BEAUTICIANS.

IF WE ARE GOING TO TURN THE TIDE, WE MUST TAKE THE PROBLEMS OF TRAINING AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN NEW FIELDS DIRECTLY TO THE COMMUNITIES. SCHOOLS MUST OPEN VOCATIONAL TRAINING COURSES TO GIRLS AS WELL AS BOYS; COUNSELORS MUST INFORM GIRLS ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO THEM IN NONTRADITIONAL JOBS, AND EMPLOYERS MUST BE ENCOURAGED TO HIRE WOMEN ONCE THEY ARE TRAINED. IT SEEMS TO ME, THE OBVIOUS CATALYST TO MAKE ALL THIS HAPPEN IS A LOCAL COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN.

THE BUREAU WILL, OF COURSE, CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION, ADVISORY SERVICES AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE NEEDED BY GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS TO CARRY OUT PROGRAMS TO BENEFIT WOMEN AT THE LOCAL LEVEL.

THE WOMEN'S BUREAU, THE COMMISSIONS ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN, AND WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS HAVE A SHARED COMMITMENT TO INSURE THAT AMERICA'S WOMANPOWER, ONE OF OUR MOST VALUABLE HUMAN RESOURCES, IS FULLY UTILIZED AND THAT WOMEN WORKERS HAVE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY WITH MEN TO CHOOSE THE KIND OF WORK THEY WANT TO DO AND THE LIFE STYLE BEST SUITED TO THEM.

ONLY THROUGH A WORKING PARTNERSHIP CAN WE FULFILL THAT COMMITMENT.

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Following is a fairly typical news story. You are writing this story for the Los Angeles Times. Today is Wednesday, and you are writing for Thursday's editions.

Mary Mendoza lives in Santa Ana. She is a friend of Josephine Vinci, 65, and her daughter, Priscilla Vinci, 34.

But on Monday, Mendoza wondered why she hadn't seen them for a few days. So she went to their house and looked in a kitchen window. She saw their bodies, side by side on the kitchen floor. Mendoza called police, who came to the home in the 1300 block of East Cherry Street in Santa Ana, about 7:30 p.m. Monday.

Both women were dead at the scene, the result of numerous stab wounds from what police described as "a sharp instrument." Mendoza had said all the doors were locked. Sam Vinci, the father of Priscilla and husband of Josephine, died last December.

Police said Mendoza had told them that Priscilla Vinci was unhappy about a romance that had recently ended. She said Josephine Vinci had told her a few days ago that the younger woman's boyfriend often struck her.

Police learned the man's name was Ronald James Blaney, Jr., 30, and that he lived in Fountain Valley.

This afternoon, he was arrested in Prescott, Arizona, where his mother lives. He was arrested on suspicion of murdering his girlfriend and her mother. Blaney can neither hear nor speak. One of the three Santa Ana police detectives who went to Prescott is fluent in sign language. Priscilla Vinci also was deaf. Blaney was booked late Wednesday at the Yavapai County Jail in Prescott.

Santa Ana Detective Mike Alvarado said the Orange County District Attorney's office will be asked to charge Blaney with two counts of murder. Extradition proceedings will be initiated next week, Alvarado said.

Mendoza spoke of the situation: "I've known them for so long, and to see them on the floor -- it was just devastating. Their bodies were close, kind of facing each other. There was blood. I just didn't want to see anymore."

Investigators would not discuss a motive in the killings.

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Breaking News Story
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You're working on the city desk of the San Francisco Chronicle. It's about 11:30 a.m., and you are awaiting a call from one of your police beat reporters who heard something on his police radio about a cable car accident.

Since you have a 12:30 deadline, you hope he calls soon. When he does, it will be your responsibility to get enough information together for a story, if there is one.

The phone rings. It's your reporter. "Was it a cable car accident?" you ask. "No," he shouts from a pay phone at California and Mason streets in the Nob Hill area. You put paper in your typewriter and take down the info.

first call came in to police at 11:18 a.m...California and Mason...two repairmen for the cable cars involved in an accident under the street...they had gone into a tunnel below the street to work on two big cable wheels...the California line, on which they were working, had been shut down for two days for maintenance.

anyhow, the guys were down in a pit beneath the street with two large wheels, each about ten feet in diameter. The wheels lie in place horizontally, one on the other, with the cable between them...like a spool of thread...while the repairmen were there, the wheels, called "sheaves" by the company, started to move...trapped both men...

the reporter tells you one of the men is dead...was dead at the scene...says you can quote Battalion Chief Ray Landi, who was on the scene about 11:22...as saying "one of them was virtually cut in half." "Do you have a name," you ask the reporter. "Yes. Leonie De Vost, 55, of 185 19th Ave." He apparently was killed instantly. The other guy is on the way to Mission Emergency Hospital. He's Daniel Thomas Sullivan, 40, of 907 Athens St.

the reporter continues. The cables hadn't moved in two days, when maintenance started. But they obviously moved at 11:18, or this wouldn't have happened. "How did it happen," you ask.

There appears to be some dispute. A bunch of workers--conductors, gripmen, repairmen--came over from the car barn on Washington Street as soon as the word got out. They were shocked, and some seemed angry.

Sam McDaniel, a gripman (the driver...no need to explain further if you're writing for the Chronicle. Its readers know about cable cars), said he thought an axle holding the wheels might have fallen, sending the wheels onto the repairmen.

But Robert Rockwell, a spokesperson for the Muni Railway (which operates the cable cars), said it might have been a matter of bad timing.

"No work had been scheduled to be done in the tunnel until 1 p.m.," Rockwell said, "but Sullivan and De Vost might have gone down early to house their tools, or make an orientation visit or something like that."

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Breaking News Story
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Then, workers somewhere else in the line, not knowing the two men were under the street at California and Mason, might have slacked off the cable, causing the wheels to move enough to trap the two.

One angry gripman, who wouldn't give your reporter his name, said the ~~same~~ ^(Accident) probably ~~is~~ the result of Muni cutbacks in maintenance personnel.

"These were inexperienced workers, and they had no supervisors with them," he said. He tells your reporter an experienced worker would have pushed a safety bolt between the huge wheels, keeping them from moving even if the cable moves.

Considering their inexperience, the gripman said, they might have even loosened some bolts and inadvertently started the wheels in motion themselves.

"It's the same old story that you need something like this to bring the situation home to the public," the gripman told your reporter. "Nothing less than a complete overhaul will save the system."

Rockwell denied the inexperience of the men would have contributed to the accident, claiming the work they were doing was of a routine nature. "The fact remains," he said, "that they were in the repair area an hour and a half before work was supposed to commence."

You call Mission Emergency Hospital to ask about the other guy. He died shortly after arrival, you are told by the nursing director.

Write the story for what it's worth. This will go in today's paper, so time references should talk of "earlier today" or "this morning," rather than "yesterday." You should be able to get a minimum of a page and a half.

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Mini Mania

By Jay Berman

does something that others won't do
Every weekday morning at 8:30, Bill Gilcrease unlocks the door to his Costa Mesa shop, opens his carefully organized tool boxes and begins working on automobiles that haven't been sold in the United States in nearly 20 years.

Gilcrease, 33, is the owner, operator and entire staff of Mincomp. His business card says he provides "British auto service," but Gilcrease could be more specifically described as an expert in the repair, restoration and maintenance of the Austin Mini and all its relatives; a number of tiny sedans, vans and small station wagons from Great Britain.

The Mini, first marketed in 1959, was the forerunner to the Volkswagen Rabbit, Honda Civic and nearly every other subcompact built in the last quarter century. More than 2.5 million have been built, primarily in England but also under license in other countries such as Australia, Italy and Brazil. The Mini was the first of the subcompact, front-wheel drive economy cars built with a transverse (sideways-mounted) engine.

Nobody seems to know how many there are in California; neither Gilcrease, who works on more than 200 of the cars regularly, nor Department of Motor Vehicles officials, who claim they don't have any way to pull that kind of figure from their computers.

But Gilcrease, who bought his first Mini in 1970, knows how many he is likely to see in a typical week, if there were such a thing.

"There's no such creature," he says. "Some days I'll work on two or three cars at a time. Other times I'll only have three or four cars in a week. It's kind of a feast or famine business, but I always have enough backed-up work so that, if cars don't come in, I just work on a restoration."

More than 200 Mini owners, most of them Southern Californians, entrust their cars to Gilcrease. One owner lives

in Chicago. Nevertheless, he is still a regular customer.

"He [the Chicago-based client] is fairly well-to-do," Gilcrease says. "He collects vintage race cars. He has a truck going all around the country, so if his Mini needs to be tuned up, they throw it in the back of the carrier and say, 'Drop it off at Mincomp and pick it up on the way back.'"

"I built the car from the ground up to begin with. I know the car. I've been working on it since the mid-Seventies."

Gilcrease has been working on a great number of cars since the mid-Seventies.

As a teenager in Long Beach, he first saw Minis being sold at a now-defunct dealership called Jamestown.

"I think it was 1400 Long Beach Boulevard," he recalls. "I was this young kid walking past Jamestown and seeing these silly little cars. Then, when I was in high school, there was a guy who drove a Mini. That was my introduction. It intrigued me. I didn't know anything about it. I got out of high school and decided I was going to find one of those cars. I still have it."

His entry into the profession of repairing Minis is even more improbable. He had learned how to work on his car and convinced some of his friends to buy them, as well. Soon, he was working on all of them.

"Pretty soon, I was working on their cars, their brothers' cars, their friends' cars and their uncles' cars," Gilcrease recalls. "I'd have 10 Minis sitting in my driveway at home. I was already a mechanic, but I was managing a place that specialized in Ferraris, and I was frustrated—with the cars, their owners, with everything. I went home one evening and looked at the Minis in my driveway and said, 'Okay, you guys are going to start making me my living.'"

Thus, in 1982, Mincomp was born in an industrial area of West 17th Street in

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Costa Mesa.

While the great majority of Gilcrease's work is repeat business, he says he sees a new car "every week or so," along with one he might not have seen for 10 years. "It could be a car that I saw years ago in the San Fernando Valley," he said. "It might be a different color, it might have a different owner, but I'll recognize it."

How can he possibly know he's seen the car before?

sedan, a panel truck, a van, a "woodie" wagon and a Jeep-like utility vehicle. Today, only the sedans survive. All were known for their economy—often more than 40 miles per gallon—maneuverability and simplicity.

They were sold by MG dealers until 1967—a fateful year for Mini enthusiasts, for it was then that the Department of Transportation discontinued their sale in the United States. What happened?



Bill Gilcrease at work on an Austin Mini at Mincomp

"I have a good memory," Gilcrease says. "I know the people who have worked on Minis in the past. I know their telltale signs, and they know mine. You get to know a person's style."

The Mini was among the earliest of the successful imports into the U.S., following Volkswagen by just a few years, but it never enjoyed the VW's success. At the height of production, there was a sedan, the more-powerful Mini-Cooper

"It was a combination of things," Gilcrease believes, "Ralph Nader, the Department of Transportation and the EPA [Environmental Protection Agency]. He [Nader] went after the Chevrolet Corvair. Everybody remembers that. Well, he went after the Mini and the VW bug at the same time."

Nader, whose book, *Unsafe at Any Speed*, eventually succeeded in forcing General Motors to discontinue produc-

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tion of the rear-engine Corvair, couldn't cut into the VW bug's then-enormous popularity, but he forced the EPA and DOT into becoming more active.

"His complaint about the Mini was that it was too small," Gilcrease says. "It didn't have a collapsible steering wheel."

The Department of Transportation, pressured by Nader and other lobbying groups, began ordering crash tests, Gilcrease continues. British Leyland, successor to British Motor Corp., first builder of the Mini, was told by DOT officials that they wanted a large number of cars to crash test. "Leyland told them, 'That's twice the number of cars we sell in your country,' so they pulled them off the American market."

"They [British Leyland] just didn't want to fool around with the U.S. restrictions and bureaucracy," he says.

"Today, the Mini could probably sell really well here, but there would have to be refinements, because the small car industry has become the small luxury car industry. It would have to be a luxury car."

Even though the Mini hasn't been imported into the U.S. since December 31, 1967, the car is still being built in Great Britain, despite great odds.

"They tried to kill it again and again," Gilcrease says. "Each time, they had to bring it back. It's their cash flow car. The demand was so great that they couldn't let it die. They found they couldn't live off of the Jaguar or Aston Martin."

Although the car isn't available in this country, parts are no problem. "There are places that specialize in Mini parts," Gilcrease says. "I can get 99.9 percent of everything I need."

The fact that the cars have built a cult popularity has led some would-be owners to try bringing them in individually, usually from England or Canada. If the car was built before 1968, such a project is usually legal. Newer models are sometimes brought in through less honorable means, often involving a switching of

identification, to make a 1980 model, for example, look like a 1967 to an inspector. Does it work?

Maybe. Maybe not, according to Gilcrease. "In the DMV and DOT rule books, there are so many loopholes, so many different sections, that you might get lucky," he says. "It's up to the person sitting there doing the paperwork. There is a rule somewhere that says you may bring one car into the U.S. in your lifetime. The rule exists somewhere, but it's all up to the examiner. He might say, 'Okay, no problem,' and you think 'Gee, that was easy,' or he might say, 'This car doesn't conform. You have 90 days to make it conform or you send it back to England or have it destroyed.' That makes it an expensive lesson."

"There's no reason for that. It's not worth it. There are a lot of Minis in this country to choose from."

One might expect Gilcrease's business to begin declining since there is basically a finite number of Minis in the U.S. But that's not the case.

"It's getting more and more busy," he says. "The number just keeps on going up. My accountant can't believe what I can do as a one-man shop. Nobody can believe that there are that many out there."

When he and Mincomp were a few years younger, Gilcrease admits, "I was here from 7 a.m. to midnight seven days a week, trying to keep up. The customers got greedy about it. They wouldn't allow me an hour off to go eat dinner. I just told myself I couldn't afford to do that."

When he does have some free time, Gilcrease, who also lives in Costa Mesa, races Minis. He worked as a technical inspector at road races and decided four years ago to start driving as well. His car? A modified Mini called a three-quarter two-frame.

His everyday car? The green Mini-Cooper he bought in 1970. OC

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Perils Where 20 Below Is a Nice Day

Opportunity, Whisky Fuel Harsh Life in Arctic Town

By KENNETH FREED, Times Staff Writer

INUVIK, Canada—They count it a pleasant winter day in this little community when the temperature reaches a high of 20 degrees below zero and a shipment of new videotape movies, along with a fresh rock band, arrives from the United States.

The 3,000 people of Inuvik, far above the Arctic Circle in Canada's Northwest Territories, lead lives of constant contradiction. They endure conditions that are as severe and dangerous as any to be found, balanced by luxuries that approach obsessive self-indulgence.

For more than two months a year, they exist in almost total darkness; the sun is at best a brief, dull glow on the horizon, the temperature ranges to 60 below zero, and life is painted in frozen tones of white.

Because the ground never thaws, there are no building foundations; everything is built on pilings. Water is delivered and sewage is carried away by means of something called a "utilidor," which is six feet above the ground.

Yet there is a summer, with two months of midnight sun, and children play street hockey at 3 a.m., the thermometer registers 80 degrees and mosquitoes and venomous black flies are so thick they can be scooped out of the air by the handful.

All this leads to a kind of charged approach to life. The weather is a compelling subject of conversation and existence is fueled by opportunity, greed—and alcohol.

To a visitor in the midst of the nine-month winter, the most immediate and strongest impression is the all-encompassing cold, a cold so extreme that it freezes exposed hair and can kill an inadequately dressed human being in a matter of minutes.

Even among the people who live here, the weather is the prime focus of attention and conversation. Everyone seems to know the temperature hour by hour.

This is understandable. Nothing happens here that is not directly affected by the weather. Just to move across the street requires serious effort. One must put on

fleece-lined boots, a knee-length, down-filled parka with a fur-lined hood, plus a wool toque, as the stocking cap is called here, a thick scarf and heavy mittens often worn over silk gloves. This is not to mention long thermal underwear, two pairs of wool socks, a shirt and heavy sweater that are all part of the local uniform.

Cars and trucks are specially equipped for the harsh conditions. For short stops of an hour or so, one leaves the engine running. For longer stops, one uses electric heaters to keep the engine block warm; there are power outlets at the curb.

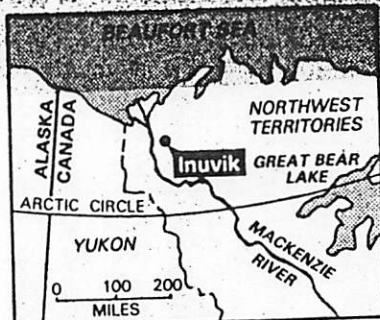
No one is allowed to board an airplane in the Northwest Territories unless he or she has the proper clothing and survival gear in case the plane is forced down, which happens not infrequently in a climate where the temperature at 4,000 feet can drop to 80 below zero or more.

Inuvik is situated 60 miles above the Arctic Circle, in the land of the polar bear, the Eskimo and ice floes the size of cities, more than 1,200 miles north of the closest large city, Edmonton, in Alberta province. A little more than 30 years ago, it was not here at all. It was built, starting in 1954, as a model Arctic city.

Coping With the Cold

Beyond the clothes that seem to reduce everyone to a schoolboy's notion of an Eskimo, the most stunning impression one gets of coping with the cold and isolation has to do with the extraordinary level of alcohol consumption.

Drinking seems to go on everywhere, all the time. Empty whisky bottles and beer cans litter the snow like fallen leaves. Blank-faced drunks can be seen nodding in an alley near the Eskimo Inn Hotel. The town's half-dozen large taverns are jammed until closing time at 2:30 a.m. The drinking is



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also reflected in the lengthy daily police reports.

Nearly anything that contains alcohol is consumed in great quantities here. Vanilla extract cannot be bought freely off the shelves of the drug store or food market. Sales people have a list of customers who are not allowed to buy it. Those who may buy it must sign a register for the one bottle allowed them each month.

Liquor is such a problem that the bars shut down for two hours every day, at 6 p.m., to encourage patrons to eat dinner or perhaps feed their children before they return to their beer and whisky.

Drinking on Job Forbidden

According to town officials and social service workers, alcohol and alcohol-related crime are Inuvik's major problems by far. And this assessment is reflected by a full page of ads in the telephone book for alcohol-abuse counseling.

"Alcohol is a constant temptation, and it has a destructive effect," said Billy Day, the president of a native group, the Committee for Original People's Entitlement. His views are echoed by Murray Horn, a Gulf Oil executive, who said his company forbids drinking by employees during their work shifts.

"It is cause for immediate firing if anyone is caught with liquor or beer on company property or while they are working," Horn explained. In addition, all employees sign an agreement that allows Gulf officials to search their property or living quarters at will.

Today is Monday. You are writing a story which will appear on Tuesday. There is no need for a dateline.

Thomas Stanley, a Republican, is running against Ruth Wise, a Democrat, for sheriff of Orange County.

The incumbent, George Jonson, is retiring.

Three weeks remain until the election.

Stanley in a speech Sunday before the county Republican Club in Placentia: "It's time we brought the great unstated issue in this campaign onto the table. It's time we discussed whether this woman -- Ruth Wise -- is really qualified to be sheriff. A sheriff has to run a large county department. Ruth has been a community activist for a few years. I've been a deputy sheriff for five years. A sheriff has to wear a gun and be ready to arrest dangerous people. Ruth has raised three children. I've personally arrested two bank robbers, with my gun drawn. We're not electing someone to the school board here. We're choosing the county's top law enforcement officer, the man who will help protect all of us against lawless elements. Voters have to consider the qualifications of the candidates for that job."

Al Jensen is campaign manager for Stanley.

Jensen, in an interview after Stanley's speech: "Yeah, I think it's fair to say this is a change of tactics on Tom's part. We've been trying to be chivalrous up to now. But this is starting to look like a close election, and we felt it was time to play some hardball. To start making clear to voters exactly what choice they're facing here. We laid off of Wise until now. But not she's going to have to take the heat."

Wise, in an interview a few hours after Stanley's speech: "Yes, I heard about his speech today. I don't want to get into a name calling contest here. Tom has every right to be proud of his work as a deputy sheriff; but the point is who will do the best job of running this department, not who has arrested the most people. Let me just say that my experience as head of the Neighborhood Protection Association, which has worked closely with the sheriff's department and other law enforcement agencies, is a pretty strong qualification. If a woman can be a Supreme Court justice, and a nominee for vice president of the United States, she can be a sheriff."

A check of all past clips confirms all the facts mentioned by Stanley and Wise. Let's make the election date Dec. 7. Give me a story.

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MOVIE REVIEW

PLAUSIBILITY BECOMES 'SUSPECT' IN DRAMA

By SHEILA BENSON, *Times Film Critic*

If plausibility isn't at the very top of your list of requirements in a courtroom thriller, and if dashing assured performances are, you can have a cheerfully good time at "Suspect" (at selected theaters Friday).

Within the first five minutes, director Peter Yates, working from Eric Roth's original screenplay, cracks across a scene of wild action

as a desperate young indigent (Liam Neeson), his body a mass of scabs, his hair and beard wild and matted, fights off arresting officers. He is the prime suspect in the killing of a young Justice Department secretary, based on the evidence of her wallet and his knife, which are found where he sleeps.

Enter Cher, a weary but dutiful

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'SUSPECT': CHER AND DENNIS QUAID

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public defender assigned to Neeson's case. Although Neeson has the strength of 10 mountain men and is lethally dangerous, she's let into his cell quite alone. It's only after the rampage that follows that she learns part of his problem: a Vietnam vet, he has become deaf and then traumatically mute.

So the stage is melodramatically set for one of the film's most reliable and satisfying situations, the seesawing courtroom battle, complete with a letter-of-the-law judge (John Mahoney, as good as he was in "Tin Men"); an unctuous prosecutor (Joe Mantegna), and ingenious twists and turns, including electronically transmitted testimony.

"Suspect's" first departure from the conventional puts Dennis Quaid, a nattily dressed, slickly assured dairy-industry lobbyist, on Cher's jury—by her own cool choice, but certainly not by his. However, because he is by nature inquisitive and a born manipulator, he cannot resist pointing out to her, surreptitiously, bits of evidence she has muffed.

This is where "Suspect" becomes a matter of conscience for us all. Without a little something developing between these two, we'd have no movie. However, the moment an attorney and a jury member discuss anything, the case can be called a mistrial and the lawyer can be disbarred. But, blithely, Quaid begins playing private detective, and he and the gorgeous public defender—two of the more highly visible people in Washington—have more meetings than a lonely hearts club.

This rather major glitch aside, Yates builds his story so tautly; the great Billy Williams photographs Washington—high and low—so se-



Dennis Quaid is a juror in a murder case in "Suspect."

ductively and the whole film is chockablock with such interesting actors that it becomes the easiest thing to put a lid on your skepticism, to sit back and enjoy the ride.

All these actors *are* admirable, beginning with the Irish-born Neeson (who came to such a brutal end on the river as one of Jeremy Irons' priests in "The Mission"). Working entirely without dialogue, Neeson's tragic, homeless vet becomes a fully fleshed-out and powerful character.

Then there is John Mahoney's Judge Helms, a carefully reined-in performance whose restraint we appreciate completely only at the movie's end. And there is the thoughtful, intelligent handsomeness of E. Katherine Kerr as the congresswoman whose vote is so crucial to Quaid. Kerr brings warmth to a moment that might be

coolly cynical.

And, at the film's core, there is a tough, illuminating performance by Cher as this complex lawyer who theoretically lives by a strong set of ideals, and another one of those ebullient, Smiling Jack charmers for Dennis Quaid to play. By now it's a part that fits him so easily—and, on the heels of "The Big Easy" and "Innerspace," so often—that he might consider roles with more risk to them in the future. Living up to elegant tailoring isn't quite

challenge enough for an actor who seems so effortless.

As it speeds toward its finale there are plot holes the size of Manhattan potholes, although it's refreshing to have so menacing thriller with such a relatively low level of violence. And there isn't a car chase from start to finish, an amazing restraint from the director of "Bullitt," and a positive point of pride these days. This is one to enjoy, but not to question too closely.

Susan
McCallum

- writes for the Anaheim Bulletin -- news reporter
- a daily publication, basically, exclusively in Anaheim
- worked for 2 1/2 years writing on education, conventions, business, city hall, children, police
- 5 staff members
- standpoint from staff paper, "really get to know close to people"
- big papers are better financially

NEWS:

- police beat -- "fun beat"
- started work at 5 am, 6:30 am look at log
- 15 daily, look for newsworthy, burglaries, auto thefts, part I crimes (major violent crimes)
- usually not there during event but rather after, never witnessed any event, too dangerous
- reports written on all events
- for large items -- press release for info: e.g. cocaine busts, murder
- watch commander: ask what happened at night?
- catch little things in small paper vs. large paper who don't tell you interesting things: e.g. 20-year-old arrested for molesting Minnie Mouse at Disneyland, touched her where he shouldn't have
- Lt. in charge for more details
- when situation over easy to get info. if still occurring -- police usually uncooperative
- go to someone else if police won't give you info.
- don't hurt to go to additional people even if you already have info.
- fire dept. more open with info. easier to work with

Joe, this
might not
be much
help, but
good luck!
Billie

Purvis

- Education: interesting, parents want children to get info., meetings are fun, most popular read in paper, children stories are enjoyable, easy to research, schools usually very open.
- Bus./Tourism/Conventions: easier to work with than police, "one-shot deal" stories no on-going
- lots on Disneyland because located in Anaheim, where popular for Disneyland
- due to small paper not too much to do, potential for "juicy" stories.
- when you give specific info that you know on a touchy subject, they will usually comment.
- City Council: dislike publicity, just quote what they say, usually will send their PR people for city, Public Info Officer not usually the person you want to talk to.
- no cute things, all hard news
- all involved in city or politically motivated
- get quotes from members themselves and others because will only tell you so much -- do get angry

FEATURE:

Presently writes features

- like it better, good
- interesting/ unusual
- more leeway as to how to write
- more fun but not too exciting, can "exercise creative juices"
- variety of topics, interest her
- 100% of stories are given or suggested to her
- no deadline, average write 10 stories per week, 2-3 hrs to research, interview, get photos, etc.
- 2 hrs to write feature 30-40 inches long

BACKGROUND



- grad CSUF 1984

- intern at Daily Pilot, LA Times

- suggestions: resume be accompanied by cover letter, 6-7 of your best articles to city manager, call them often

- send these anyway even if no openings, keep circulating , shows them you are presently writing and remind them of who you are.

FUTURE

- wants to write for large paper

- looks better on resume, more readership, large paper better

SALARY

- weekly salary

- sports writers considered part-time, paid per story written, seasonal only

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WRITE THE MOST CURRENT STORY YOU CAN BASED ON THE FOLLOWING
INFORMATION:

OCT. 14, 1987

POLICE REPORT--CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

SUSPECT: RUSSELL, FRANK MICHAEL, 2909 WENDY DRIVE, FULLERTON.
WHITE MALE, 5-9, 180, DOB 6-18-65

VICTIM: MORAGA, ORINDA MARIE, 3400 PACIFIC COAST HWY., APT. 109,
HUNTINGTON BEACH. HISPANIC FEMALE, 5-4, 125, DOB 3-30-68

1:05
(1:15)
(9:00)
(11:30)
VICTIM CONTACTED THIS DEPARTMENT 1:05 A.M. THIS DATE, STATING SHE
HAD BEEN RAPED BY SUSPECT. INVESTIGATING OFFICERS W.R. BARANGER
AND M.B. ADAMS INTERVIEWED VICTIM AT HER PLACE OF RESIDENCE,
ARRIVING 1:15 A.M. SHE REPORTED TO INVESTIGATING OFFICERS SHE HAD
ATTENDED PARTY FROM APP. 9 P.M. TUESDAY, OCT. 13, TO 11:30 P.M.
THAT DATE, IN A RESIDENCE AT 212 FIFTH ST., SEAL BEACH, CALIF.,
WHERE SHE SAW SUSPECT BUT DID NOT MEET HIM OR OTHERWISE HAVE
CONTACT WITH HIM. SHE REPORTED SUSPECT APPARENTLY FOLLOWED HER
HOME IN HIS VEHICLE, ALTHOUGH SHE STATED TO OFFICERS SHE DID NOT
WITNESS SUBJECT VEHICLE.

Seal Beach
12:10
VICTIM TOLD INVESTIGATING OFFICERS THE SUSPECT KNOCKED ON HER DOOR
APP. 12:10 A.M. THIS DATE. SHE RECOGNIZED SUSPECT AS SOMEONE SHE
HAD SEEN AT PARTY AND WAS NOT AFRAID UNTIL HE PUSHED HER INTO THE
APARTMENT'S MAIN LIVING ROOM AREA, TOLD HER HE WAS IN POSSESSION
OF A KNIFE, AND PULLED HER TELEPHONE CORD FROM THE WALL.

VICTIM TOLD OFFICERS THAT SUSPECT ORDERED HER TO REMOVE HER
CLOTHING, BUT THEN ASKED IF SHE HAD BEER IN HER REFRIGERATOR. WHEN
VICTIM REPLIED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE AND OFFERED TO PROVIDE A BEER
FOR SUSPECT, SHE SAID HE ALLOWED HER TO LEAVE THE LIVING ROOM
AREA. SHE TOLD INVESTIGATING OFFICERS SHE WENT INTO HER KITCHEN
AND ATTEMPTED TO LEAVE THROUGH REAR DOOR OF RESIDENCE. VICTIM SAID
SUSPECT CAUGHT HER AT DOOR AND SAID "I'LL KILL YOU IF YOU TRY THAT
AGAIN." VICTIM SAID SHE NOTED ODOR OF ALCOHOL ON SUSPECT'S BREATH.

VICTIM SAID SUSPECT STRUCK HER ON FACE "THREE OR FOUR TIMES" WITH
OPEN HAND, CAUSING ABRASIONS AND MINOR CUTS ON CHEEK AND CHIN.

VICTIM SAID SUSPECT THEN PRODUCED THE KNIFE, WHICH SHE DESCRIBED
AS A BUTCHER KNIFE WITH APP. 6-INCH BLADE, CHROMIUM OR STEEL IN
COLOR, WITH BLACK HANDLE. SUSPECT ORDERED VICTIM ONCE AGAIN TO
REMOVE CLOTHING.

FEARING FOR HER LIFE, SHE COMPLIED, REMOVING ALL HER CLOTHING.
SUSPECT THEN REMOVED HIS CLOTHING, VICTIM TOLD INVESTIGATING
OFFICERS. VICTIM SAID SUSPECT THEN RAPED HER ON LIVING ROOM COUCH,
WHILE HOLDING THE KNIFE IN HIS RIGHT HAND, AND SAID "I'LL KILL YOU
IF YOU CALL THE COPS."

63 phone
44 city

12:42
VICTIM SAID SUSPECT EXITED PREMISES THROUGH BACK DOOR APP. 12:42 A.M. THIS DATE. VICTIM SAID SHE HEARD SOUND OF AUTOMOBILE ENGINE LEAVING AND WENT TO NEIGHBORING APARTMENT AT SAME ADDRESS TO CALL THIS AGENCY.

OFFICERS ADAMS AND BARANGER SAID THEY DISCOVERED BLACK LEATHER BILLFOLD CONTAINING PERSONAL EFFECTS OF SUSPECT, INCLUDING DRIVER'S LICENSE, SOCIAL SECURITY CARD AND \$42 IN CASH, ON FLOOR UNDER VICTIM'S COUCH. OFFICERS SAID SUSPECT WAS POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED THROUGH DRIVER'S LICENSE PHOTOGRAPH BY VICTIM AS THE MAN WHO ASSAULTED AND RAPED HER.

VICTIM WAS TRANSPORTED TO HUNTINGTON BEACH HOSPITAL. PHYSICIANS CONFIRMED SHE HAD BEEN RAPED AND TOOK EVIDENTIARY SAMPLES, POSSIBLY INCLUDING SEMEN SAMPLES, FROM HER. INJURIES ON FACE FROM BEING STRUCK WERE TREATED. PLAINCLOTHES OFFICERS IN UNMARKED CAR HAVE SET UP OBSERVATION AT APARTMENT OF SUSPECT, AS WELL AS AT JOE'S AUTO PARTS, 13445 GARDEN GROVE BLVD., GARDEN GROVE, AS BUSINESS CARD WITH SUSPECT'S NAME AND BEARING THAT ADDRESS WERE FOUND IN THE WALLET RECOVERED BY INVESTIGATING OFFICERS.

That's it. Write what you think is appropriate. Let me have it on Monday. Your time angle is that you are writing something on Wednesday (today) for a Thursday Orange County newspaper.

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MONDAY | TUES DAY
on OCT 19 | for OCT 20

FOLLOW-UP ON RAPE CASE OF OCT. 14, 1987

SUSPECT WAS ARRESTED ON MORNING OF OCT. 15, 1987, AS HE ATTEMPTED TO RETURN TO HIS APARTMENT.

HE WAS ARRAIGNED BY MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FRED GRAHAM ON OCT. 15, 1987, IN DIVISION 19.

HIS PRELIMINARY HEARING WAS HELD IN ORANGE COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT ON OCT. 16, 1987.

HE WAS HELD TO ANSWER ON ONE COUNT OF RAPE, ONE COUNT OF ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO COMMIT GREAT BODILY HARM. A THIRD COUNT, OF KIDNAPING, WAS DISMISSED.

SUSPECT'S ARRAIGNMENT IN SUPERIOR COURT IN SANTA ANA TOOK PLACE OCT. 17, 1987. SUSPECT PLEADED NOT GUILTY ON BOTH COUNTS. BAIL REMAINED AT \$450,000, WHICH SUSPECT DID NOT POST.

TRIAL BEGAN OCT. 18, 1987, BEFORE SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE SANDRA LEE JORDAN.

SUSPECT'S ATTORNEY, WILLIAM WEISS, ARGUED THAT VICTIM HAD "INVITED" SUSPECT INTO HER HOME "OF HER OWN FREE WILL." WEISS SAID VICTIM DID NOT APPEAR NERVOUS AND IN FACT HAD OFFERED TO GET SUSPECT A BEER.

VICTIM'S ATTORNEY, M.R. TAKAHASHI, SAID "SUSPECT TERRORIZED MY CLIENT," CAUSING HER TO "FEAR FOR HER LIFE." SHE HAS SOUGHT PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT SINCE THE ATTACK AND HAS BEEN UNABLE TO WORK."

SUSPECT HAD WAIVED HIS RIGHT TO A JURY TRIAL, SO JUDGE JORDAN PRESIDED OVER THE CASE WITHOUT A JURY.

AT THE END OF THE DAY, JUDGE JORDAN ADJOURNED AND SAID SHE WOULD RETURN SOON WITH A VERDICT. THIS WAS ON OCT. 18, 1987.

TODAY IS OCT. 19, 1987, AND THE BAILIFF HAS JUST CALLED TO TELL YOU JUDGE JORDAN IS CALLING THE PRESS TO HER COURTROOM.

YOU RUSH TO THE COURTROOM. JUDGE JORDAN, READING FROM A PREPARED TEXT, SAYS SHE HAS FOUND THE SUSPECT GUILTY ON THE COUNT OF RAPE AND NOT GUILTY ON THE ASSAULT CHARGE.

THE VICTIM IS SMILING AS SHE LEAVES THE COURT BUT REFUSES COMMENT.

THE SUSPECT TELLS YOU AND THE OTHER REPORTERS, "THIS IS A FRAME JOB. I'M INNOCENT, THE JUDGE KNOWS I'M INNOCENT."

HE IS TAKEN AWAY BY BAILIFFS AFTER HE STANDS AND WALKS MENACINGLY TOWARD JUDGE JORDAN, RAISING HIS ARMS (THEY ARE HANDCUFFED TOGETHER) AND POINTING AT HER. "YOU'LL BE SORRY YOU MADE THIS MISTAKE," HE TELLS HER.

JORDAN WILL SENTENCE HIM ON NOV. 17. HE FACES A MAXIMUM OF 14 YEARS IN PRISON. HE IS RETURNED TO HIS JAIL CELL.

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AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF FRESNO

"A NEAT PLACE TO LIVE"

Thursday night

OCTOBER 13, 1987

7:30 P.M. ROLL CALL

PROCLAMATIONS

"BUILDING SAFETY WEEK"

"NATIONAL LUMBER COUNCIL WEEK"

**MAYOR LINDA PETERSON
COUNCIL MEMBER STEPHEN R. GREELY
COUNCIL MEMBER ANNE KELLEY
COUNCIL MEMBER T. WALTER BRIGGS
COUNCIL MEMBER K.R. "SKIP" HINKMEIER**

- ITEM #1 FRESNO SENIOR HEALTH CENTER. Requesting that city increase its participation in "Movin' Meals" program in 1988 from \$1 million to \$1.5 million.**
- ITEM #2 FRESNO FIRE DEPARTMENT. Requesting \$10,450 to send Fire Chief K.R. "Ken" King and other key personnel to the CAFCBC convention in Carmel.**
- ITEM #3 WARDLOW, WARDLOW & WARDLOW. Demanding \$10.6 million from the city on behalf of a client.**

Item # 1. MAYOR PETERSON MOVED FOR DENIAL OF SENIOR HEALTH CENTER PROGRAM, CALLING THE "MOVIN' MEALS" PROGRAM "A WASTE OF CITY MONEY." COUNCIL MEMBER KELLEY SAID SHE BELIEVED IT WAS A "WONDERFUL PROGRAM FOR OUR SENIORS" AND SAID SHE WOULD SUPPORT IT. COUNCIL MEMBER BRIGGS SAID HE COULD NOT VOTE ON THE MATTER BECAUSE HE RECEIVES MEALS FROM THE PROGRAM. REQUEST FOR FUNDING PASSED, 3-1, WITH BRIGGS' ABSTENTION.

ITEM #2. MAYOR PETERSON MOVED FOR APPROVAL OF THE AMOUNT, SAYING IT WAS "VITAL" THAT CHIEF KING AND HIS COLLEAGUES BE "ON LINE IN THE LATEST TECHNOLOGIES OF FIRE FIGHTING." COUNCIL MEMBER BRIGGS SAID HE THOUGHT \$10,450 "SEEMS LIKE A LOT OF MONEY" FOR A THREE-DAY TRIP AND SAID HE "JUST CAN'T SEE WHY THEIR WIVES HAVE TO GO ALONG." REQUEST FOR FUNDING PASSED, 4-1, WITH MR. BRIGGS THE SOLE "NO" VOTE.

ITEM #3. COUNCIL MEMBER HINKMEIER MOVED FOR DENIAL OF THE REQUEST, SAYING "LET THEM SUE US." THERE WAS NO FURTHER DISCUSSION. THE DENIAL VOTE WAS 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

FRESNO SENIOR HEALTH CENTER
"WHERE YOU'RE STILL A YOUNGSTER EVEN IF YOU'RE 102"
FRESNO RECREATION PARK
2222 22ND STREET
FRESNO, CA 96555

OCTOBER 2, 1987

MAYOR LINDA PETERSON
CITY OF FRESNO
230 W. HERMOSA AVE.
FRESNO, CA 96554

DEAR MAYOR PETERSON:

AS YOU AND THE CITY COUNCIL ALL KNOW, THE FRESNO SENIOR HEALTH CENTER SERVES MORE THAN 10,000 MEALS PER WEEK TO 5,000 ELDERLY SHUT-INS AS PART OF OUR "MOVIN' MEALS" PROGRAM.

BUT THE PROGRAM IS IN JEOPARDY BECAUSE OF THE DECISION BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO CUT BACK ON FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS FROM 50 PERCENT TO 25 PERCENT, EFFECTIVE NEXT JAN. 1.

THE FRESNO SENIOR HEALTH CENTER RECEIVED \$1 MILLION FROM THE CITY OF FRESNO IN 1987 FOR "MOVIN' MEALS." AT A 50 PERCENT MATCHING FUND RATE, THIS MEANS WE RECEIVED \$500,000 FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

WE WOULD, HOWEVER, RECEIVE ONLY \$250,000 IN 1988 FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN MATCHING FUNDS IF CITY SUPPORT WERE TO REMAIN THE SAME.

SUCH AN ACTION WOULD FORCE THE PROGRAM OUT OF OPERATION. WE SPENT APPROXIMATELY \$20,000 MORE LAST YEAR ON "MOVIN' MEALS" THAN WE RECEIVED, EVEN WITH OUR FEDERAL SUPPORT.

WE ASK THAT THE CITY INCREASE ITS PARTICIPATION IN "MOVIN' MEALS" FROM \$1 MILLION TO \$1.5 MILLION IN 1988, AND TO URGE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO EXEMPT THE FRESNO SENIOR HEALTH CENTER FROM ITS CUTBACKS.

SINCERELY,

LEOPALDO VALENCIA
DIRECTOR

**FRESNO FIRE DEPARTMENT--
STATION NO. 1
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA**

SEPT. 14, 1987

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

AS YOU WILL RECALL FROM THE MINUTES OF THE POLICE AND FIRE COMMITTEE'S HEARING ON SEPTEMBER 11 OF THIS YEAR, THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS AND BATTALION COMMANDERS WILL MEET NOVEMBER 3 THROUGH 5 AT THE PALA MESA COUNTRY CLUB IN CARMEL.

THE ANNUAL CONVENTION BRINGS TOGETHER FIRE-RELATED OFFICIALS FROM THROUGHOUT THE STATE TO DISCUSS SUCH VITAL PROBLEMS AS TOXIC CHEMICALS, HAZARDOUS AND UNSTABLE INDUSTRIAL CONDITONS, AND ARSON-CAUSED FIRES.

IT IS VITAL THAT THE CITY BE REPRESENTED AT THE CONVENTION. ACCORDINGLY, I AM ASKING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROPRIATE \$10,450 TO SEND ME, MY WIFE, CORA; BATTALION CHIEF ERNEST "BUZZ" HANSON AND HIS WIFE, PEGGY SUE; AND DEPUTY CHIEF E.C. "HAL" FUEGO AND HIS WIFE, BUNNY, TO THIS MOST IMPORTANT PROGRAM.

TO REMAIN ALERT IN THE FIGHT AGAINST FIRE, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE BE WELL-REPRESENTED.

SINCERELY,

**K.R. "KENNY" KING
FIRE CHIEF**

WARDLOW, WARDLOW & WARDLOW
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
1345 N. BROADWAY

FRESNO, CA 94665

OCTOBER 1, 1987
MAYOR LINDA PETERSON
CITY OF FRESNO
230 W. HERMOSA AVE.
FRESNO, CA 95660

DEAR MAYOR PETERSON:

WE ARE WRITING IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAY 3, 1986, INJURY OF MR. FRED MARTINEZ, WHOM WE ALLEGE SUFFERED A BROKEN RIGHT LEG AND SEVERE LACERATIONS AS THE DIRECT RESULT OF NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF A CITY EMPLOYEE, SANITATION TRUCK DRIVER ANDREW T. MITCHELL.

MR. MARTINEZ WAS CROSSING PENNSYLVANIA STREET IN THE VICINITY OF 22ND STREET ON THE MORNING OF MAY 3, 1986, WHEN A FRESNO SANITATION TRUCK, DRIVEN IN AN ERRATIC MANNER BY MR. MITCHELL, STRUCK MR. MARTINEZ AND THEREBY CAUSED THESE INJURIES.

WE DEMAND FROM THE CITY A TOTAL OF \$10.6 MILLION, INCLUDING \$5.6 MILLION FOR PAIN AND SUFFERING, \$2 MILLION IN PUNITIVE DAMAGES AND \$3 MILLION FOR LOST WAGES AND SALARIES.

IF THE DEMAND IS DENIED, WE WILL HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO SUE YOU, THE CITY COUNCIL AND MR. MITCHELL. PLEASE CONTACT US AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE.

SINCERELY,

WOODROW W. WARDLOW
ATTORNEY AT LAW

Wednesday, October 7, 1987

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Plan would use Dial-A-Ride to test new bus routes

By Jean O. Pasco
The Register

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Dial-A-Ride vans would be used to build ridership before a regular bus route is created under a plan to be reviewed Thursday by Orange County Transit District directors.

If the plan is adopted, it would be the first time in Dial-A-Ride's 15-year history that the vans, which carry about a dozen people each, would be used as forerunners to regular bus routes.

The plan calls for the vans to be introduced into areas that request new transit service to test if there is enough ridership to warrant a large bus, district spokeswoman Joanne Curran said. It costs about \$55 an hour to provide full bus service, compared to \$29 an hour for Dial-A-Ride, she said.

A possible location for the introductory service is Rancho Santa Margarita, where students from a new Catholic high school have requested public transportation, she

said. If there is enough demand, a regular bus route then could be created.

The new service would be a supplement to Dial-A-Ride's usual operations and would account for about eight hours a day in extra service. Dial-A-Ride, which will carry about 1.5 million riders this year, provides door-to-door service within geographical zones.

County Supervisor Don Roth, who is on the transit district's board of directors, said Tuesday he

is not sold on the idea of expanding Dial-A-Ride to provide the new service. The per-passenger cost of providing the service is twice as high on Dial-A-Ride as it is on the buses, he said — \$5.03 per passenger for Dial-A-Ride compared to \$2.16 per bus passenger.

The question of continuing the van service, phasing it out or changing its operations was introduced in June during budget deliberations. Roth and fellow director Roger Stanton, also a county su-

pervisor, questioned the high cost for the service.

A transit-district study recommended that Dial-A-Ride not be eliminated because many areas of the county cannot be reached by large buses and many van riders have no other form of transportation. Instead, it suggested using the vans to test new markets as well as continuing to promote group ridership, in which a large number of passengers prearrange to ride to the same location.

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Vote Delayed on Anaheim Vendors Law

By ROXANA KOPETMAN
Times Staff Writer

The Anaheim City Council postponed a vote on the so-called vendors ordinance Tuesday to give the city attorney and an attorney for local vendors time to negotiate.

The controversial law has been the subject of months of discussion, various drafts and a lawsuit filed in Orange County Superior Court.

City Atty. Jack White last week announced that the city may have been acting against state law in banning vendors from apartment neighborhoods. White presented the council with a new ordinance that would regulate rather than ban the vendors.

Attorney Salvador Sarmiento, who represents the vendors, said Tuesday he would like the city to clear the records of those vendors issued citations since a crackdown began on vendors selling in apartment neighborhoods.

Code Enforcement Supervisor John Poole said his office has issued more than 100 citations involving a variety of violations.

Citing a 1926 local law, the city last December began clearing apartment neighborhoods such as Chevy Chase of the vendors, whom some residents accuse of creating noise, litter and traffic.

The issue now is scheduled to resurface before the council on Nov. 4, election day.

Sarmiento said after Tuesday's council meeting that he felt confident he and the city attorney could hash out most of the disagreements. On the issue of music on the trucks, which is crucial to the vendors' business, Sarmiento said he will compromise on the loudness but not agree to a ban.

In a letter to the council, Amin David, president of Los Amigos of Orange County, said that "more than feelings were hurt and community conflicts heightened" by the vendors' issue. "Direct, real damage was done to various legitimate interests, including the right of business to operate and compete under fair, reasonable constraints applied equally to all similar enterprises throughout Anaheim."

Several vendors went out of business and many lost thousands of dollars each month they were banned from their most lucrative selling spots, the apartment areas, Sarmiento said.

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Vote on street-vendor law delayed

The Register

ANAHEIM — The Anaheim City Council on Tuesday postponed until Nov. 4 action on a controversial street-vendor ordinance, hoping that the city attorney can negotiate an agreement with opponents who have filed a lawsuit.

Both sides expressed optimism that they can iron out differences over proposed regulations on merchants who peddle food on the street.

"I see a lot of middle ground for

agreement," said Salvador Sarmiento, a Santa Ana lawyer representing the vendors.

Sarmiento, who has filed a suit challenging the city's current ordinance, said he will try to persuade the city to revise some aspects of the new law.

Vendors want to use music and horns while driving their vehicles, he said, and want to be allowed to stay at one location for as long as 45 minutes, rather than the 15 minutes recommended by city staff.

Last month, Sarmiento obtained

a temporary restraining order forcing the city to halt its prohibition against such merchants in apartment areas because it conflicted with state law.

City Attorney Jack White said he is willing to compromise with Sarmiento but believes there was nothing wrong with the city's previous enforcement policy.

A hearing on the vendors' lawsuit that had been scheduled for Tuesday in Superior Court was postponed until Nov. 6, pending the council vote on the new ordinance.

County expands use of radar to nab speeders

Unincorporated areas affected by board action

By Jean O. Pasco
The Register

Motorists tempted to race on streets in unincorporated areas could soon find themselves in the sights of a radar unit.

The Orange County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday approved radar speed enforcement by the California Highway Patrol in all areas outside city limits.

Previously, the county had allowed the use of radar to track speeders only in the unincorporated areas of Mission Viejo, North Tustin and along Ortega (74) Highway.

The vote Tuesday authorizes the use of radar in other areas. The

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expanded enforcement is expected to begin by Jan. 1, according to Capt. Steve Malone, area commander of the CHP office in San Juan Capistrano.

He said about 17 officers in south Orange County are certified to operate the units, which are mounted on patrol car dashboards.

Any street or road will be a candidate for radar enforcement, he said. But under state law, the CHP is forbidden from using radar on freeways and most state highways. An exception in Orange County is the twisting and dangerous Ortega Highway, where radar use began in January.

The CHP has not decided where to expand the use of radar. But Malone said one area that will be a prime target is Crown Valley Parkway in Laguna Niguel — nick-

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named "Crown Valley Freeway" by local residents.

The road, where the legal speed limit varies between 35 mph and 55 mph, is used by motorists bypassing congestion on the San Diego (I-5) Freeway who often exceed freeway speeds.

Other problem speed areas that could be targets are Santa Margarita Parkway, El Toro Road and Santiago Canyon Road, Malone said.

The CHP will look at factors such as speed-related accidents and citizen complaints when determining where radar will be used, he said.

Currently, CHP officers without radar are forced to pace cars to determine their speed or to simply estimate. Malone said radar is much safer and more effective.

"And it has a deterrent effect," he said, since motorists can't tell whether a patrol car parked on the side of the road is using radar to

track speed.

Supervisor Gaddi Vasquez, a former Orange police officer, proposed the expanded radar use. He said Tuesday that he has received numerous complaints about speeders in his largely unincorporated district, which includes Mission Viejo.

"Radar is an effective tool, almost an essential tool, to enforce speed laws," he said.

Steve Hogan, a county traffic engineer, said the county will buy two to four extra units to help cover more areas but might not be able to find the money until summer 1988.

Currently, the CHP uses two radar units in Mission Viejo, two in North Tustin and two along Ortega Highway. The county and the affected communities paid for the devices, he said, which cost \$2,000 each.

Radar has been used in Mission Viejo since December 1983 and was

approved for use in North Tustin in December 1986. It was extended to include Ortega Highway in January.

According to CHP statistics released in June, the number of speed-related accidents in the North Tustin area dropped 33 percent after radar enforcement began.

After the first year of use in Mission Viejo, radar guns were credited with a 14 percent decline in speed-related accidents. From 1984 through 1986 in Mission Viejo, more overall accidents occurred than did speed-related accidents. Overall accidents increased 43 percent, while speed-related accidents increased 39 percent.

Increased use of radar has been endorsed by the Laguna Niguel Community Council, the Aegean Hills Homeowners Association, the Mission Viejo Municipal Advisory Council, the Nellie Gail Ranch Owners Association and the Rossmoor Homeowners Association.

YOU ARE A REPORTER FOR THE LOS ANGELES TIMES. FOR OUR PURPOSES, TODAY IS WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11. YOU ARE WRITING A STORY FOR THE THURSDAY, NOV. 12, PAPER.

YOUR BEAT IS THE SENATE (YOU WORK IN WASHINGTON). THE SENATE IS TRYING TO DECIDE WHAT TO DO WITH A PENDING TAX OVERHAUL MEASURE.

HERE IS SOME OF THE BACKGROUND YOU HAVE ON THE PROPOSAL:

--IT REMOVES SIX MILLION OF THE POOREST TAXPAYERS FROM THE TAX ROLLS AND GRANTS HUGE TAX RELIEF TO MILLIONS MORE;

--IT SHIFTS \$120 BILLION IN TAXES FROM INDIVIDUALS TO BUSINESSES OVER A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD;

--IT ELIMINATES SEVERAL LOOPHOLES, SHELTERS AND DEDUCTIONS;

--ITS PRIMARY SPONSORS ARE SEN. BOB PACKWOOD, R-ORE., AND REP. DAN ROSTENKOWSKI, D-ILL.

PACKWOOD SAYS OF THE PROPOSAL, THE LENGTHY DEBATES "ARE ABOUT MORE THAN MONEY AND THEY'RE ABOUT MORE THAN ECONOMICS. THEY'RE ABOUT FAIRNESS. AND THIS BILL IS FAIR."

NOT EVERYONE AGREES. SOME OPPOSE THE PACKAGE. SEN. CARL. M. LEVIN, D-MICH., SAYS THAT PASSAGE OF THE BILL WOULD "SET THE STAGE FOR MAKING DEFICIT REDUCTION MORE DIFFICULT AND LESS FAIR."

MANY OBSERVERS SAY THE BILL WILL NEITHER EASE NOR WORSEN THE FEDERAL DEFICIT. LEVIN, HOWEVER, TELLS YOU THE PROPOSAL WILL RAISE SCORES OF BILLIONS OF DOLLARS LESS IN TAX REVENUE THAN WAS CLAIMED, AND SAYS THE LOSS OF BUSINESS DEDUCTIONS AND CREDITS WOULD CRIPPLE FACTORY CONSTRUCTION. "NO REDUCTION IN TAX RATES COMPENSATES FOR THE LOSS OF A JOB," SEN. JOHN C. DANFORTH, R-MO., WHO ALSO OPPOSES THE PLAN, TELLS YOU.

ROSTENKOWSKI STARTED THE BILL ON ITS TRIP THROUGH CONGRESS LAST YEAR, MUSCLING IT BY OPPONENTS, ONE BY ONE. BUT HE HAD TO ALTER IT ALONG THE WAY, RAISING THE BILL'S TOP INDIVIDUAL TAX RATE TO 38%. HE HAD HOPED TO KEEP IT BELOW 35%.

IT ELIMINATES LOOPHOLES AND SHELTERS WHICH MANY SAID HAD UNDERMINED FAITH IN THE TAX CODE'S FAIRNESS. IT ELIMINATES INVESTMENT TAX CREDITS, WHICH HAD BEEN DESIGNED TO SPUR COMPANIES TO REBUILD AGING PLANTS. IT ELIMINATES THE INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNT, WHICH WAS A TAX INCENTIVE TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO SAVE FOR THEIR RETIREMENT.

ULTIMATELY, ELIMINATING SUCH BREAKS MADE ENEMIES FOR THE BILL, BUT IT HELPED KEEP TAX RATES LOW. WHEN THE LAW, IF IT PASSES, BECOMES FULLY OPERATIONAL IN 1988, INDIVIDUALS WILL PAY TAXES AT FIXED RATES OF EITHER 15% OR 28% INSTEAD OF THE CURRENT 15 RATES, WHICH

ARE AS HIGH AS 50%.

MORE AFFLUENT HOUSEHOLDS -- SINGLES MAKING MORE THAN \$43,150 AND FILERS OF JOINT RETURNS WITH EARNINGS EXCEEDING \$71,900 -- WOULD LOSE SOME DEDUCTIONS AND WOULD PAY RATES OF 33% ON INCOME ABOVE THOSE POINTS.

IF IT PASSES THE SENATE, IT WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY BECOME LAW. THE HOUSE APPROVED IT BY A 292-136 VOTE ON MONDAY, AND PRESIDENT REAGAN HAS SAID HE WILL SIGN IT.

IT IS EXPECTED TO GRANT SOME RELIEF FOR FOUR OF EVERY FIVE HOUSEHOLDS.

MORE BACKGROUND: IF THE BILL IS APPROVED, IT WILL BE THE BROADEST REVISION OF THE FEDERAL TAX CODE SINCE CONGRESS DEvised THE INCOME TAX IN 1913.

ITS BACKERS SAY IT WILL LOWER INTEREST RATES BY AS MUCH AS TWO PERCENTAGE POINTS IN THE NEXT TWO YEARS.

SEN. PETE DOMENICI, R-N.M., WHO HAD INITIALLY OPPOSED IT, NOW SAYS "THERE IS NO DOUBT IN MY MIND THE TAX BILL WILL BE GOOD FOR THE AMERICAN ECONOMY."

THE VOTE COMES IN. THE BILL PASSES, 74-23, MEANING IT COULD GO TO PRESIDENT REAGAN ANYTIME IN THE NEXT WEEK. BOTH CALIFORNIA SENATORS, PETE WILSON AND ALAN CRANSTON, VOTED IN FAVOR OF IT.

PUT TOGETHER AS MUCH OF A STORY AS YOU CAN FOR TOMORROW'S PAPER, WITH A WASHINGTON DATELINE. YOU HAVE UNTIL 2:15 P.M.

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In Kentucky, Nurses Call the Shots

Practitioners, Midwives Care for Most in Rural Areas

By CHARLES HILLINGER, *Times Staff Writer*

ASHER, Ky.—People seldom say, "Who's your doctor?" Instead they ask: "Who's your nurse?" in the mountain river bottoms, valleys and hollows of four southeastern Kentucky counties.

Doctors have always been hard to come by in this slice of rural America. So nurse practitioners and nurse midwives take care of about 80% of the health needs. Only when complicated illnesses, serious injuries or the need for surgery arise are the few physicians in the area called upon.

In fact, many Kentuckians in Leslie, Clay, Harlan and Perry counties have never seen a doctor in their entire lives. They were delivered, and cared for as children and adults by family nurse midwives and family nurse practitioners from the Frontier Nursing Service, a unique 62-year-old Kentucky medical organization.

Sue Lazar, affectionately known by several hundred mountain people as "Nurse Sue" or "the nurse on the middle fork of the Kentucky River" has run the service's Beech Fork Outpost Clinic on the outskirts of the hamlet of Asher for seven years.

Lazar, 40, a curly-haired blonde, served a year in the thick of fighting in Vietnam as an Army nurse. A native of Lafayette, Ind., she came here from Denver "because I heard of the work of the Frontier Nurses and longed to work in Appalachia." She and four

other women operate the service's Beech Fork Outpost Clinic serving families scattered for miles around, many living in modest cabins along dirt roads deep in the woods.

The clinic was filled with patients on a recent day—with pregnant women and crying babies,

Charles Hillinger's America

with coal miners suffering from black lung, with men, women and children being treated for diabetes, hypertension, common colds, wasps stings and other ailments.

"Nurse Sue" was in one of the examining rooms with Georgia Hoskins, 32, and her daughter, Tiffany, 5, who cried a river of tears as she received her booster shots and a physical in order to enter kindergarten. She wiped away her tears, smiled and said: "It's all over. I can go to school now."

Doyle Roberts, 22, was in the clinic with his pregnant wife, Polly, 18. They were both delivered by the service's nurses, as were their parents. Soon their child would be delivered in the same manner.

"I feel much more comfortable having a woman nurse than a man doctor delivering my baby," said Polly.

"We never see a doctor. All we have here is nurses. The nurses live

close by. They have always taken care of our family. My granny remembers when they came to the house on horseback," Doyle said.

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It was Mary Breckinridge who introduced nurses on horseback to Leslie County in 1925—a county with 10,000 residents at the time, without a road or an automobile, without one licensed physician, a county with the highest infant mortality rate in the nation.

Breckinridge was a wealthy woman who wanted to do something for the mountain people of Kentucky. Her great-great-grandfather was Thomas Jefferson's attorney general; her grandfather was John Cabell Breckinridge, vice president of the United States from 1857 to 1861, a Confederate general and Secretary of War for the Confederacy. Her father was U.S. Ambassador to Russia.

She was married to a college professor. They had two children, both of whom died in infancy. After the deaths of her daughter and son, she divorced, took back her maiden name, and decided while in her early 40s to dedicate her life to the children and families of Leslie County. There were no graduate midwifery schools in this country. So, Breckinridge went to England and studied at the British Hospital for Mothers and Babies in London. She returned to the United States, bringing with her the country's



LARRY DAVIS / Los Angeles Times

Sue (Nurse Sue) Lazar checks the ears of Tiffany Hoskins, 5, at Beech Fork Clinic. Some Kentuckians never see a doctor.

first professional nurse midwives.

"Women in childbirth suffer as much as men in war. Maternity is a young woman's battlefield. Her pain is terrible and her wounds are often mortal," she said when she founded Frontier Nursing Service. It revolts my sense of decency that we should neglect our children and give 18th-Century care to women in childbirth in remotely rural America."

In 1925, Breckinridge built a

large log cabin in the wilderness. It served as her home and headquarters for 40 years until her death at the age of 84 in 1965. She constructed a hospital and health center at nearby Hyden in 1928. Men in the area had raisings and built outpost clinics, the first at Beech Fork in 1926.

The horse and mule were the only means of transportation in this part of Kentucky through the 1940s, and the service's nurses,

their saddlebags filled with medical kits, continued to reach the sick by horseback into the early '50s—when roads were finally pushed through and jeeps replaced the horse in the back country.

When mountain children asked where babies came from years ago they were told the nurses bring them in their saddlebags.

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Kate Chieco, 38, program officer for the Alexander Fund of the New York Community Trust, was visiting the Beech Ford Outpost Clinic to see its operation firsthand. The New York Community Trust fund organizations in Appalachia.

"We provided a small grant, \$10,000 last year, feeling this was a worthy place to put money. These nurses do a remarkable job in this rural area where there are no doctors," Chieco said.

All of the service's programs of operate on an \$8-million annual budget, according to service president David Hatfield. One million comes from the donations of people across the nation, \$1 million from endowments, from the nominal fees charged the families served, from insurance, state and federal Medicare payments and from student tuition at the Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing at Hyden, Hatfield added.

Also at Hyden is the modern 40-bed Mary Breckinridge Hospital, the hub of regional medical care—with four of the service's outpost clinics in the surrounding mountains, plus two affiliated clinics. Opened in 1970, it is the only hospital in Leslie County, and is staffed by eight physicians and a dozen of the service's nurses.

The doctors are backups, ready

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to assist, advise and direct the service's nurses by phone. A doctor visits each outpost clinic at least once every other week. The service's nurses have medical books containing protocols developed by doctors and nurse practitioners. The service's nurses are capable of taking care of 80% of the medical needs of people going to a doctor for help, Hatfield said.

As certified family-nurse midwives and certified family-nurse practitioners, they do far more than a typical nurse in an urban area, according to Ruth Beam, dean of the service's Nurse Midwifery School. All are graduate R.N.s with experience as working nurses before they enrolled in the 16-month course to become nurse midwives and the year-long course to become nurse practitioners. The service's Nurse Midwifery School, established by Mary Breckinridge in 1939, is the oldest continuous school of its kind in America, graduating one-fourth of the 2,500 certified nurse midwives in the nation, Beam said.

Betty Lester, 87, has been a member of the service since its founding. Author of "Babies In Her Saddlebag," Lester has delivered four generations of babies. "I met Mary Breckinridge in England and came over here to work with her for six months to get the program started," she recalled. "That was 62 years ago and I'm still at it."

At the service's Pine Mountain Outpost Clinic, Trudy Morgan, 43, from Newton, Kan., has been in charge six years. Her aunt was a nurse on horseback. Morgan was a nurse at a Livermore, Calif., clinic five years before coming here.

"I like this much better," she said. "There's more sense of community. I diagnose and treat, like doctors, the common illnesses nurse practitioners can handle. I'm licensed as an advanced registered nurse practitioner, not just a

children, the tooth shows marked deterioration.

"The people here are so special. We become part of their family. They bring us peas, corn, squash and other vegetables from their gardens. They invite us to family gatherings. We make house visits. At regular intervals I stop by the cabin of a 60-year-old blind man and his wife who has multiple sclerosis. The man always tells me: 'I was hungry for your voice.' Not long ago he walked me over a mountain to see his sick brother," Lazar said.

"What we do more than diagnosing and treating is teaching. We have a special background in teaching. Our prime focus is on helping our patients develop healthy life styles, to prevent many of their problems we see such as hypertension, diabetes, malnutrition, those kinds of things.

"A number of people living here still don't have electricity or indoor plumbing. About half the kids don't finish high school. . . ."

In the Beech Fork Outpost Clinic with the flu were Vickie Foster, 31, and her sister, Rita Bowling, 27. They were two of eight children delivered by the service's nurses. Now their children are, too.

"Nurse Sue fixes us up. We have gotten her out of bed at 2 in the morning more than a few times. She's more than just a nurse. She's a good friend to all of us in these hills as are all of the FNS nurses," Foster said.

nurse."

Newest member of the Pine Mountain staff is a Catholic nun, Katharine Donohue, who came here from Sinsinawa, Wis., where she was a high school biology teacher. "I am still a full-time nun but I also work as a nurse practitioner . . . doing something I have wanted to do for years," she said.

Cynthia Hodgson, 30, was graduated from the service's Midwifery School in May. Seven years before coming here, she was an R.N. working in a maternity ward in Cleveland. Now she is delivering babies, working out of the Beech Fork Outpost Clinic.

"In the maternity ward in Cleveland I was frustrated. I wanted to deliver the babies myself. That's why I came here. I am fulfilling my dream. I have already delivered 40 babies," said Hodgson, who plans to return to the inner city and work as a midwifery nurse.

For Beech Fork nurse practitioner Lorrie Wallace, 32, originally from Eugene, Ore., "the mountain people are so warm, so wonderful to work with. I like the FNS approach to health care education, teaching people how to take care of themselves."

Clinic nurse Sue Lazar teaches health education classes to third graders. In the class, she places a tooth into a soft drink. A week later, to the astonishment of the

Take My Word!

He's Possessed With the Apostrophe

By THOMAS H. MIDDLETON

Apostrophes are useful gizmos, but you have to know how to use them.

My wife and I just returned from a couple of weeks in New England. This year, we missed the full dose of the spectacular autumn foliage, but the scenery was, as usual, beautiful, and I saw a restaurant called Athen's Pizza. A strange name, I thought. I'd never heard of, anyone named Athen, so I figured that the pizzeria's owner was probably a Greek who liked pizza and who thought Athens, the English spelling of the Greek *Athenai*, was incomplete without an apostrophe. I should have gone in and asked about the name Athen's.

I phoned New Hampshire information after we got home. I got the number and called the pizzeria from Los Angeles. I asked if, in addition to pizzas, they served Greek food. The guy said they serve a couple of Greek dishes. I asked if the place was named after Athens, Greece, or Athens, Ga. The guy said Athens, Greece. I didn't ask about the apostrophe.

Apostrophes shouldn't be as perplexing as they obviously are. It's easy enough to understand why some people think the possessive *its* should be spelled *it's*. An apostrophe is often a sign of possession; but, like its relatives *ours*, *theirs*, and *yours*, *its* is an apostropheless possessive.

It's, with the apostrophe, is a contraction—two words contracted into one; the apostrophe takes the place of the missing *i* from *it is*, as in "It's a good thing," or of the *ha*, from *it has*, as in "It's been a rough day."

The apostrophe stands for something that is missing, or was missing at some time in the language's development. Centuries ago, a phrase like "John his house" became "John's house." The apostrophe stood in for the *hi* in *his*. From that came the use of *'s* as a possessive for either gender as well as for genderless things: Jacob's ladder; mother's milk.

The apostrophe has stood in for *u*, as in *let's* for "let us", and even for "God" in the obsolete oath "God's wounds," which, to avoid blasphemy, was cut to *'swounds* and later to *zounds*, which has been so completely severed from its roots that it no longer rhymes with *wounds*. *Zounds* is not much used nowadays, but when it is, it's pronounced *zoundz*.

Athen's Pizza reminded me of my all-time favorite encounter with an inappropriate apostrophe. About 12 or 13 years ago, my wife and I were up in the logging country not far from Redding. We had spent the night in a small town—the name has since faded. We were having breakfast in a cafe that had damp laminated table tops, which depressed the appetite.

A short stack of the local newspaper sat next to the cash register, and I'd bought a copy. It was one of those typical small-town weeklies that specialize in local gossip and the high school basketball scores. Those homespun papers inevitably make people like me foolishly nostalgic for a small-town life.

My thoughts were dwelling on the notion of selling our house and buying a little place out there in the uncluttered country, with clean air, open spaces and an unpretentious weekly news sheet. In this frame of mind, I came across a personal ad that said, "Wanted: snow plow for Willy's Jeep . . .," and then it gave a phone number. In my mind's eye, I saw Willy, a good-natured youngster with a smile and a helping hand for his neighbors. I was sure that in a town like this, where everyone knows everyone else, Willy would have that snow plow for his Jeep in no time.

It was probably a full minute before I drifted back to reality and realized I'd been suckered by a malapropos apostrophe. Willy vanished, replaced by a rather mean-spirited geezer who happened to own a Willys.

It's just as well. At least we didn't sell the house.

FINAL EXAM, FALL 1987, COMM 201

You are a reporter for the Washington Bureau of the Los Angeles Times, and today is Wednesday, Nov. 18, 1987. Obviously, any story you write today will be for Thursday's paper.

You have been sent to the Senate Caucus Room, where a news conference is about to begin.

You will write a news story based on what you hear at this conference. Your story will have a Washington dateline. You had better be prepared to take quotes, because these guys are only going to say it once, and they aren't going to have a question and answer session.

Your story must be turned in by 2:20 p.m., or you will have missed deadline, and your editors will go with still another story on Jim and Tammy Bakker, instead. I expect most of you to finish before then.

The graded finals will be on the floor in a box outside the Comm office (H-230) by Thursday, Dec. 24. Final grades will be posted on the wall just above the box, also by Thursday, Dec. 24.

Have a nice Christmas. If you aren't a fan of Christmas, at least enjoy your time off.

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JOE BUSTILLOS
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STYLE/SPELLING QUIZ

EDIT EACH OF THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES WHERE NECESSARY

He said, ^{it wasn't a direct quote} ~~alcoholism~~ is a serious killer among adults and teens. ¹¹

The announcement was made by ^{Jack Hamilton,} Deputy Assistant Vice President of Student Services. ~~Jack Hamilton.~~

He was the Titan's ¹⁹ Most valuable player in the ~~year of~~ 1987.

Since the club had only ~~nineteen~~ members, ^{it} they disbanded.

The arboretums first ¹ annual bake sale is ~~schedule to be held~~ this ~~coming~~ weekend, according to club officials. ²

They should ^{have} ~~of~~ filed ^{their} ~~they're~~ applications by October 2~~nd~~.

Broadway and Bullock's are ~~among~~ some of the ~~many~~ ^{12th} companys ~~scheduled~~ to participate in "Job Expo '87," ^{sponsors} ~~sponsors~~ of the event ^{said} say.

The staff is ~~very~~ eager to finish publication of the ~~magazine~~ ^{said spokesman John Farley. It} which will be distributed in the campus area later this month, according to ~~Mr. John Farley,~~ the ~~spokesperson.~~ ^{man}

^{Cal State Fullerton} The board of trustees will hold ~~this~~ ^{its} annual meeting ~~Jul. 9.~~

~~CSUF~~ president ³ Jewell Plummer Cobb called the opening "a unique ~~occassion.~~" She is now ~~in the process of~~ organizing a fund-raising drive.

^{Professor} Prof. Julian Foster said he disagreed with the proposal, ^{and} ~~instead~~ he suggested ^{an} ~~a~~ different alternative. He proposed that students be required to take ^{Political Science} Poli. Sci. 205 and 206, ~~respectfully.~~

^{activities} ~~Approximately~~ \$236.50 was raised by the group for ~~it's~~ ^{its} activities for the ~~coming~~ 1987-88 school year.

He said he ~~personally~~ doesn't object to the proposal.

John Michael Russell, the second vice president, did not appear. ^{all-day} He is ~~however~~ expected to appear at the next meeting.

The ~~all-day~~ seminar is ^{NO VERBS?} ~~scheduled~~ from 9:00 am to 5PM. It will be ~~located~~ in Room ~~H-110~~ of the Humanities Bldg. ^{p.m.} building.

Speakers from El Salvador, Guatemala, Nicaragua and Puerto Rico will discuss problems in central America, while others will lead a seminar on problems in Afghanistan, ^{Colombia} ~~Columbia~~, the People's Republic of China, ~~Lybia~~, Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Zimbabwe.

Cal State Fullerton is ~~just~~ one of ^{officials} ~~eleven~~ ^{universities} universities involved in the program, officials said.

Economists expect a ~~four~~ ⁴ per cent growth in real income in the U.S. ^{during} ~~in~~ the 1987-88 Fiscal year.

She has Jimmy, ^{a son,} ~~a seven-year-old son~~ and a ^{daughter,} ~~4-year-old daughter~~ Karen, ⁴.

The program is scheduled to open at ~~12~~ noon in the ~~UC~~ ^{University} Center.

^{He said} Other backers of the plan stated it should ^{have} ~~of~~ been resolved earlier in the year. ~~he said~~.

At the ~~freethrow~~ ^{their} line, the Gauchos continued ~~its~~ success, making 24 of 28 ~~from the free-throw line~~.

The Titan~~s~~ were down by 10 points with little time left on the clock when ^{they} ~~the team~~ made their spectacular comeback.

9/11

①

mini - reviewed -

" were killed" vs died -

[died = natural causes
kill = accident ...

[cable cut accident → no
related to but not cable car

redudancy - repairman
↓
repair

could re: elements that can
change → specific
status at the time or
tentative plans
" ... is expected to ... "

(2)

~~WAG~~
vague words \Rightarrow "H"

Interviewing - getting
quotes

Jag's home # 213-374-5186
Berman

Anti-Inaccessibility Campaign

Interviewing skills

speeches/Interview
similar - one person \rightarrow audience
one

③ Simon
Paul Simon

(e.g. cover ~~pages~~ speeches)
Doger Sandvinn

① research person - background

→ biography -

→ ~~subject~~ subject of talk

→ why is he here - fund raising
- votes

→ who's he going to be meeting
w/

② copy of speech - in advance

→ prep for subject

→ differences between pretext.
& actual speech.

[doesn't have to be confrontational
→ mostly TV & not print
media] - reasons for scepticism
for people who would want to
know - no reason for hostility.

(4)

"just the facts" trying to explain
what it is that this person
has to say.

Angle \rightarrow background &
course & speech/public
statements \rightarrow why the
change - ...

① what did they have to say?

② tape/take notes [both]

on electronic - notes rather

than ~~notes~~ tape 'cause

& trouble & finding quotes

etc. . memory & notes
rather

notes \rightarrow editing process
engaged

(5)

likely to take down interesting
stuff in notes

Tape recorder → ① dictating
piece → notes / ② weekend
analysis → tape

~~News~~ loss track = news story
w/...

speech / news story — not ~~speech~~

chronological order — news

worthy stuff in the lead
not the whole speech
verbatim...

- integrate background w/
subject of speech
- audience reaction

⑥

→ bed → speech from
 ↓
 morning notes

net → ~~interview~~ (own)

SIX - SPJ

1st gen net 1/2

Daily Titan Newspaper

Wed. Sept 16/12:30

would you trust to ride
w/ a guy whose helmet
is all dented & scratched
up?

①

9/16

Comm 201

newstyle \Rightarrow not chronological order

speech/interview -

\leftarrow speech w/ background & speaker \rightarrow
worked in

- make a list of most important things
speaker said, from notes

- writing story ~~are~~ composition of
quotes, indirect quotes ~~indirect~~, partial
quotes, paraphrase & narratives

\Rightarrow picture of what was said w/o too many
full quotes \Rightarrow

\Rightarrow Summary lead - not chronological
story
key points 1st few paragraphs - the
details later paragraphs

②

don't feel like you have to include everything

But if you introduce points you have to address (either numerically or analog)

who - Still a news story.

what - what the person said . . . then who they.

when

Interviews

Background → interview

prepare questions - not a questioning

keep thinking - listen w/ formulating ~~questions~~

→ get interviewee's confidence - put them at ease - not there to help em or mess 'em - why is this person significant - don't look bored

- LISTEN -

⑥

Don't worry about ask questions 2x 'cause
you didn't get it all down before.

Should be able to get good interview
in 15 minutes. - good interview might
be able to extend it

side -

→ lengthening ~~the~~ story - let it go
rethink questions - maintain eye contact

gen. questions
↓ progression
toward more difficult question

Don't argue w/ interviewee

Assignment 1 1/2 pages

wed for Thursday

9/21

- 1 -

speech coverage

quotes - ~~common~~ inside quotes -
- ellipses (3 dots)

Interview -

1/2 hr

15 minutes if ~~conclude~~ for
time

good interview, will try to
spend more time.

<Wed> - Features

<Monday> in class assignment.

Uncovering Sources - Investigate

will	County Clerk	Registrar Recorder	<u>DMV</u>
birth records	Tax Agent	→ property → voter	

old Pres - folks w/ vested interest

7/23

Features →

Wed 4 pg.

Western story -

- unusual place
- " person & what he does

diff btwn feature & news story:

- ① anything not news
- ② an article whose purpose is to entertain as well as inform (vs. just inform) - telling something unknown - creative work than news - more latitude - more subjective.

not fiction, but story is "framed" by writer. Behind a news story looks a feature story. ~~A~~ Timeliness & sensory nature (not run right now won't kill story) turns different angle local interest

feature & feature → better job in
depth - price anecdotes

(2)

- behind the scene story ...

Text - imperishable ... nothing is older
than an old news story.

(Time)

not much of a draft time

research → both sides of the story

(length)

800 words / four pages

"how long?" "As short as you
can make it"

9/28

speech coverage -

Wynne: speech -

What she said was important
than ^{the} person to re: lead

10/5

2nd series of features - couple of weeks.

Municipal govt reporting - why could

uni govt? \rightarrow that is where everybody

starts - the does -

City Council -

Planning Commission
Police

Parks & Rec. "

Public Works "

every city \rightarrow agocentric \rightarrow spending
muni funds.

electd City Council / City Manager - appointed
(4 yrs) odd number (professional administrator) full time city employee
5
Mayor = lead city council member
part-timers

②

city council member → vested interest -
special interest / business / retirees

more attractive re: low pay ...

how elected →

① At large ... (whole city)

② District ① ... (only your district)
(Representative when not necessarily for the whole city.)

City Manager

no police / fire dept

↓
agreement w/
county agency

City Clerk

Police ~~Chief~~

Fire Chief

Pub. works

City Attorney

except → LA. or San Francisco

~~Mayor~~ Strong "Mayor" concept →
separate election - Bradley

Mayor / Council govt (Mayor from among
council members).

③

How often: every 2 week (medium size)

Day/time: each different.

Straight News Reporting:

(same as most but issues more complex
lit, law, business, econ, → know of bodies
& procedures - (i.e. representative
of people that would be interested in
being there --- i.e. news...))

How cover at council →

Contacts - beware of ~~who~~

those that would mislead...

As to training ~~grind~~

2 opinions → look for 3rd profession ~~POV~~ POV

Tipsters

behind the scenes

never ~~should~~ take the word of
one source.

→ work very thorough - is good as
police report.

(4)

City Clerks → public records . . .

- straight news → who/what/etc.
- speculative stories → ^{possibly} result of council action
- historical precedence
- control leads

Remember I say nothing leads
use ~~normal~~ words - ~~the~~ subject verb ~~object~~
don't editorialize - "scraps"

10/7

Municipal Coverage

Chromi Corn \Rightarrow International Study.

Placentia - Building & Safety

Rec
Police

Mar
Engineering
Finance

"Joint Powers
Agreement"

Two cities of
agencies in
agreement

county

(allows for maintenance &
repar- between agencies
parks, roads, libraries,
animal control, sanitation)

10-14

police report

PRINCE BOK
HUNK BAK
FRATS.
KAPRU.
HAP

who/who killed him:
how killed

log... public

alleged → Attribution

investigation - ~~not~~
public

don't use police logo -
POLICE (ARREST)

COURT COVERAGE

Police

① arrest - one site

② booked on suspicion of — - police station

Courts

③

municipal ~~arrest~~ arraignment

- understand the charges
- bail set
- can but don't have to enter a plea
- assigned attorney.

④ Preliminary Hearing -

witnesses, evidence, cross examine,

① judge dismiss case

② " alters charges - probability of A
not "B" ~~dismiss~~
dismiss B...

⑤ ~~Superior Court~~
Appoint.

Trial

choice of judge ~~that judge~~
or jury trial

Probation & Sentencing Hearing

[Sentence to prison for < year or more = felony]

arrest stay - holiday

10/19

no more w/ rape stories.
Crime - wed.
Arrest/trial - Mon.
Political writing:

Contested race - Senate → News story !!

Sacramento Bee
Martin Smith
Sedgwick - Carolus
Why/How - bigger
who/what/where/when → in there

key prereq. for reporting political
beat → know how govt works -

No one does pay dues on general assignments
No one does long ~~in~~ in govt for stories in
PAC - Political Action Committees, Special Interest
Groups...

→ most difficult part of pol. beat → complexity
of issues
→ candidate X is always right.

~~nothing is absolute~~

Nothing is absolute in pol. best.

Better understand issues better
be able to report story

Scepticism important - "These people
are looking for power." To be
elected or remain elected.
tell readers issues & what's happening
in the campaign.

Fairness & objectivity - should be able
to cover all perspectives of political
forum w/ ~~showing~~ ^{biases} -
Reporter shouldn't be catalyst of story.
- good listener ~~not just~~ ^{news} ~~releases~~
out & out words to you - clearly explain.
there for the people - who want
to know the news.

Keep everything

(~~Keep notes~~
& ~~Sept 1st~~
revisions)

The Boys On the Bus

Free & Loathing on the Campaign Trail. Andrew Thompson

~~10/19/87~~

- 1 -

10/21/87

Andersen -

M-78 - November 2nd

5 PM

Political letters part 2 -

Keep all your notes → campaign
positions change ...

Look out for publicity seekers -

1) to get name in paper

2) disgruntled employees

Hurt was one out of 5 letters!

but information may be a good lead
(but check it out!) BUT CHECK EVERYTHING!!
must be thorough

- spend a lot of effort for little results
- not be willing to accept it & ~~toss~~ it out!
rather than manufacturing one or fixing one up.

Accuracy - be careful bc: one error
small error

Conciseness - Brevity - Clear writing
 (be appropriate to the content)
 words should mean exactly what
 you mean it to be. Correct use
 of words -

- watch out for increasing jargon.

clarity - simple sentences -
 can't be prearranged.

Pacing: short sentences = action.
 longer = relax reader

Transitions: ...

→ refer to other people it paper w/
expertise in area ...

↓
start ... but must have a plan
who are ^{my} best sources

- ① ~~what first~~ - who do I go to 1st 2nd etc.
- ② ~~what second~~ - who do I not go to (or delay until
well - to start) until
who am I going to have trouble with →

not out to get them - but out to find
out what's wrong.

- what records do I need?

(how can I get to things not readily
accessible?)

what is the worst ~~that~~ that I can prove?

what is the least that will yield a story.
How long should the investigation take?

no answer - as long as it takes

- Draw up a plan of action

be very methodical → what have I done
don't reveal confidential sources -
use sources self-interest to your advantage -
1st sources

use source "A" information ~~from source "B"~~
to generate source "B" - don't reveal info.

(1) source A to source B → people ~~say~~
→ simply → let source "B" speak for ~~themselves~~
themselves.

check information.